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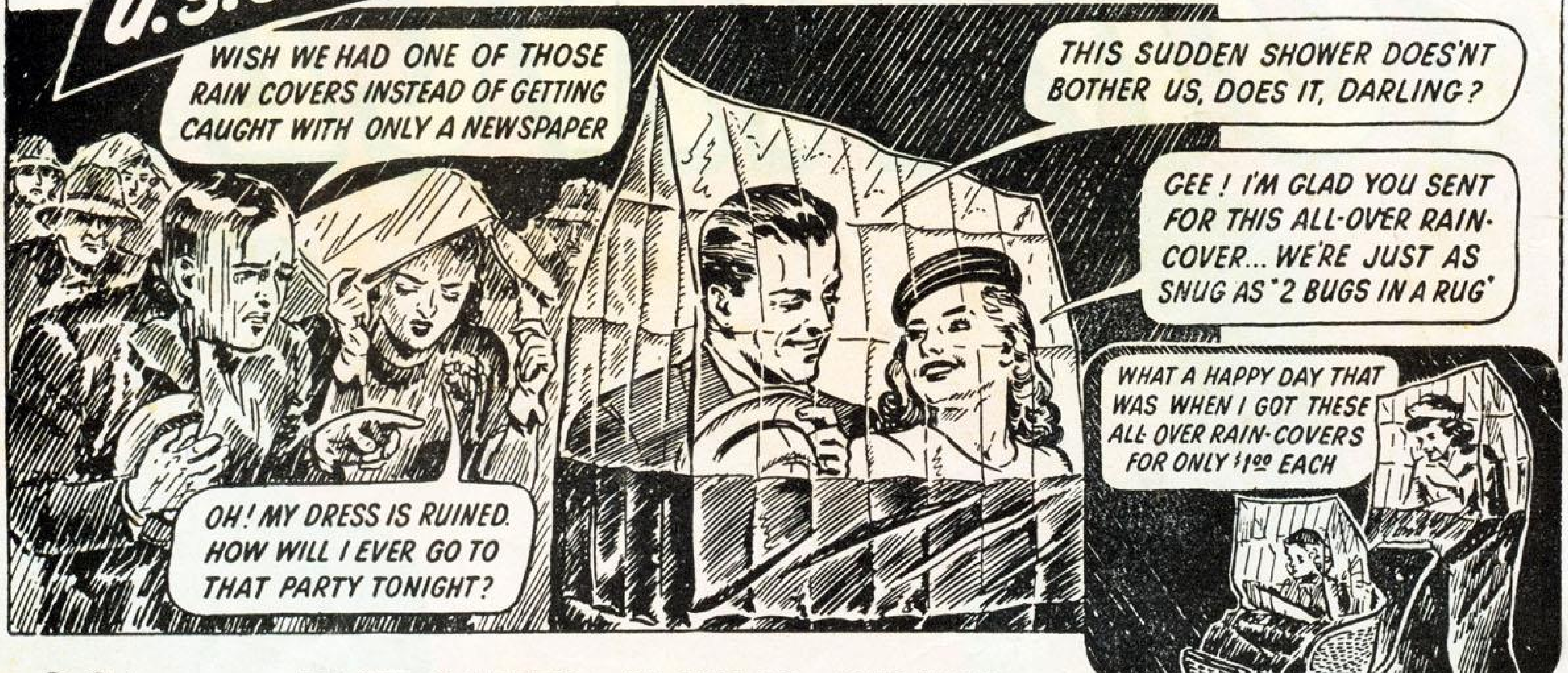
WISH WE HAD ONE OF THOSE RAIN COVERS INSTEAD OF GETTING CAUGHT WITH ONLY A NEWSPAPER
THIS SUDDEN SHOWER DOES'NT BOTHER US, DOES IT, DARLING?
GEE! I'M GLAD YOU SENT FOR THIS ALL-OVER RAIN-COVER... WE'RE JUST AS SNUG AS "2 BUGS IN A RUG"
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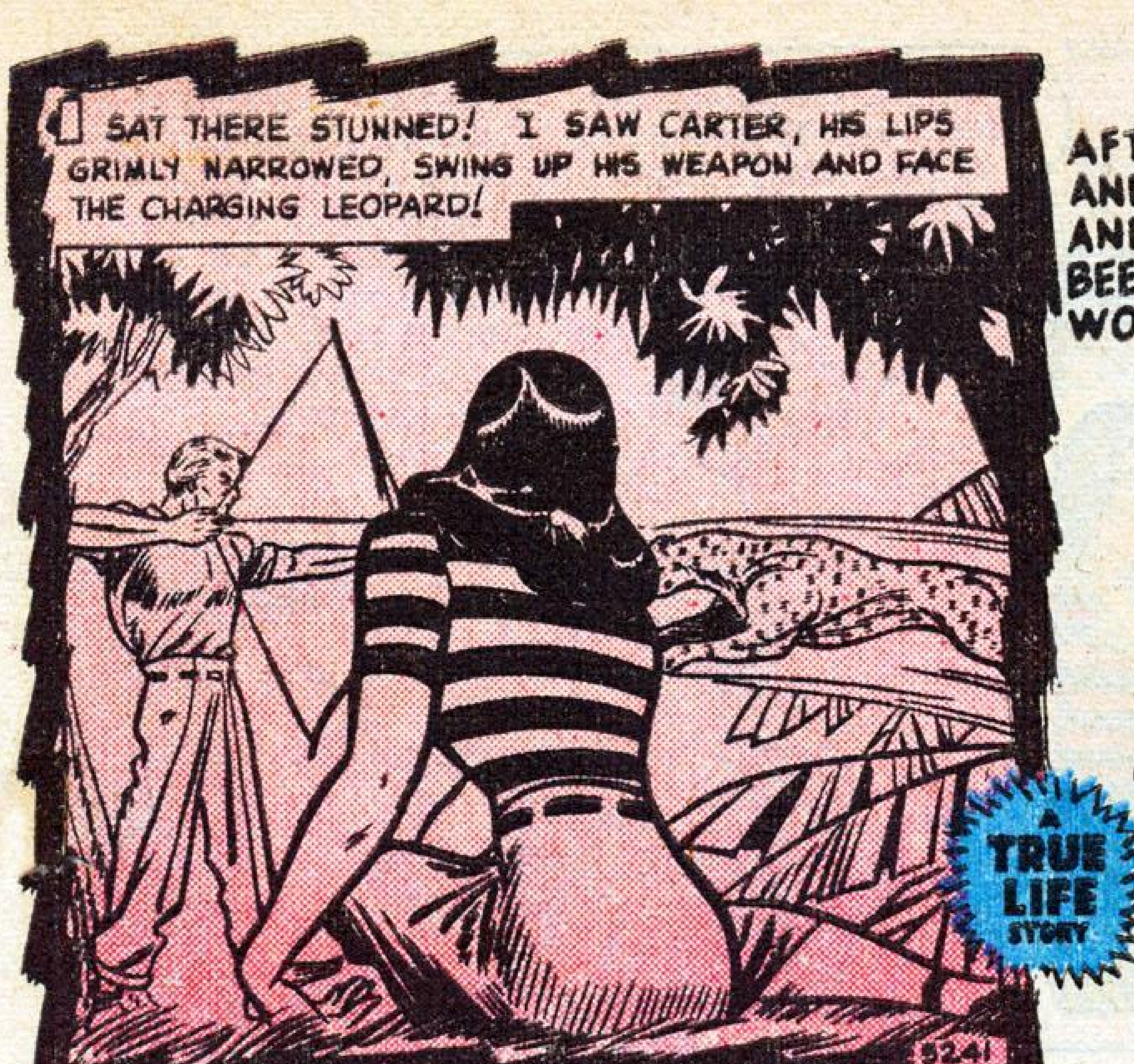
I SAT THERE STUNNED! I SAW CARTER, HIS LIPS GRIMLY NARROWED, SWING UP HIS WEAPON AND FACE THE CHARGING LEOPARD!
A TRUE LIFE STORY
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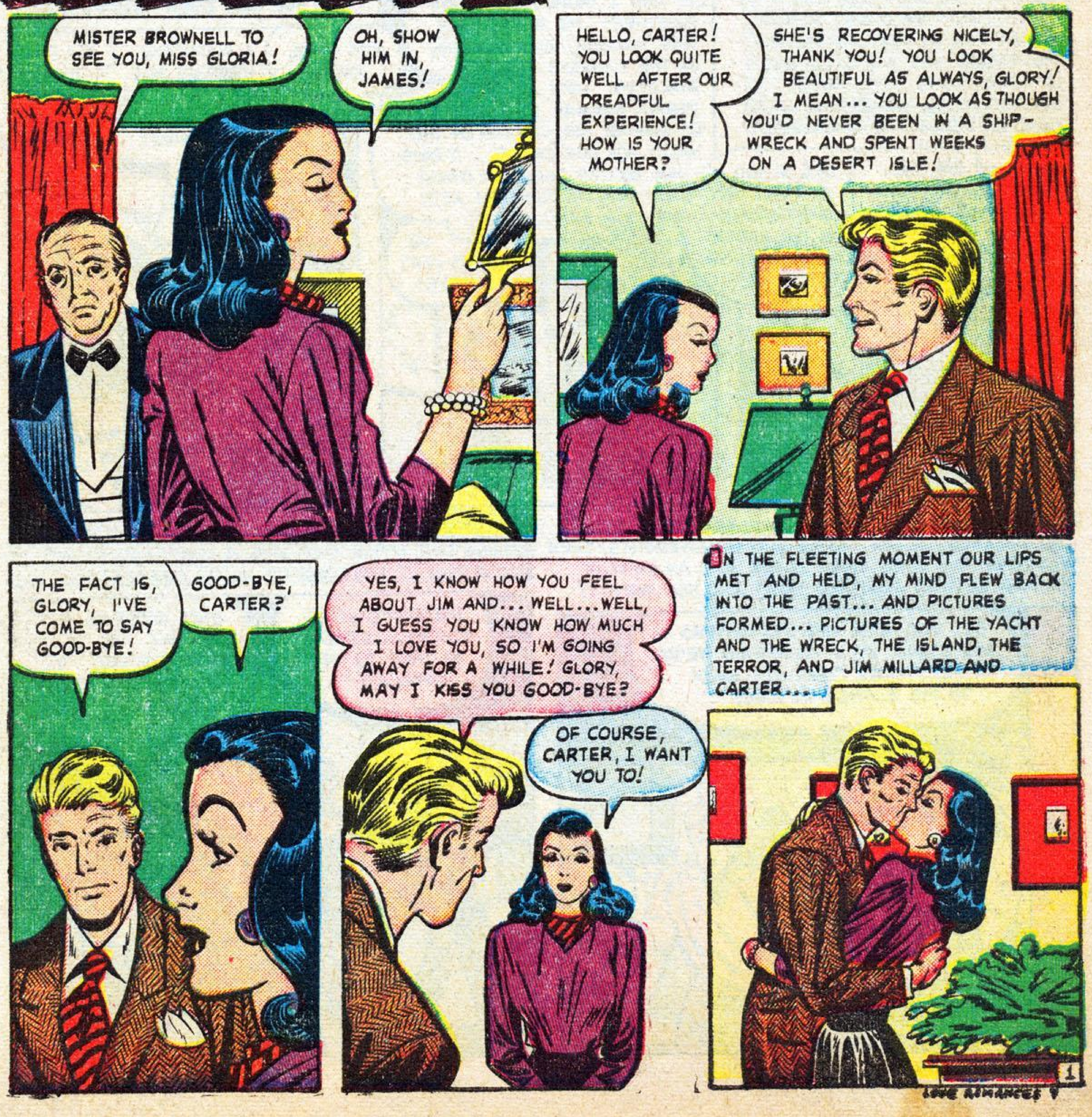
AFTER SPENDING MY LIFE IN THE SAFETY AND SECURITY OF WEALTH AND COMFORT... AND LOVING A MAN WHO HAD ALWAYS BEEN PAMPERED AND PROTECTED... WHAT WOULD MY REACTION BE WHEN I WAS BROUGHT FACE TO FACE WITH–

"THE SAVAGE LOVE!"


MISTER BROWNELL TO SEE YOU, MISS GLORIA!
OH, SHOW HIM IN, JAMES!
HELLO, CARTER! YOU LOOK QUITE WELL AFTER OUR DREADFUL EXPERIENCE! HOW IS YOUR MOTHER?
SHE'S RECOVERING NICELY, THANK YOU! YOU LOOK BEAUTIFUL AS ALWAYS, GLORY! I MEAN... YOU LOOK AS THOUGH YOU'D NEVER BEEN IN A SHIPWRECK AND SPENT WEEKS ON A DESERT ISLE!
THE FACT IS, GLORY, I'VE COME TO SAY GOOD-BYE!
GOOD-BYE, CARTER?
YES, I KNOW HOW YOU FEEL ABOUT JIM AND... WELL... WELL, I GUESS YOU KNOW HOW MUCH I LOVE YOU, SO I'M GOING AWAY FOR A WHILE! GLORY, MAY I KISS YOU GOOD-BYE?
OF COURSE, CARTER, I WANT YOU TO!
IN THE FLEETING MOMENT OUR LIPS MET AND HELD, MY MIND FLEW BACK INTO THE PAST... AND PICTURES FORMED... PICTURES OF THE YACHT AND THE WRECK, THE ISLAND, THE TERROR, AND JIM MILLARD AND CARTER...
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CARTER BROWNELL, THE WEALTHY YOUNG BROKER, AND I, GLORIA RUSSELL, THE WEALTHY DEBUTANTE, WERE ENGAGED, AND SAILING THE SOUTH SEAS IN CARTER'S YACHT, CHAPERONED BY CARTER'S MOTHER! THE SEAS WERE QUIET THAT SUNDAY, TWO MONTHS AGO, GIVING NO INDICATION OF THE WRATH TO COME!
ISN'T IT A LOVELY DAY, MY DEAR? I DO HOPE WE DON'T RUN INTO ANY STORMS THIS TRIP! SO VERY TRYING, YOU KNOW!
WELL, MOTHER, SOON YOU WON'T HAVE TO CHAPERONE US ANY MORE! GLORY AND I HAVE DECIDED TO BE MARRIED AS SOON AS WE RETURN TO THE STATES!
THAT'S GRAND NEWS, MY DEAR! I'M SURE YOU WILL MAKE CARTER A WONDERFUL WIFE! HE NEEDS LOOKING AFTER, YOU KNOW!
CARTER IS A BIG BOY NOW, MOTHER BROWNELL! I'M SURE HE CAN TAKE CARE OF HIMSELF!
CARTER'S MOTHER HAD ALWAYS TREATED HER ONLY SON LIKE A CHILD! WITH HIS GREAT WEALTH, CARTER HAD NO RESPONSIBILITIES! THE RESULT WAS A SPOILED BUT LOVABLE YOUNG MAN, WHOSE HARDEST WORK HAD BEEN A HALF-HEARTED INDULGENCE IN COLLEGE SPORTS!
SIR, THE GLASS IS DROPPING! I'M AFRAID WE'RE IN FOR SOME ROUGH WATER!
SEE IF YOU CAN GET ANY INFORMATION ON THE RADIO! AND STOP CALLING ME "SIR," JIM!
JIM AND I WERE AT COLLEGE TOGETHER! HE WORKED HIS WAY THROUGH, AND WAS ONE OF THE SCHOOL'S BEST ATHLETES! HE'S A WONDERFUL SEAMAN, SO I THOUGHT OF MAKING HIM CAPTAIN OF THE YACHT FOR OUR CRUISE... IT PAYS HIM BETTER THAN ANY OTHER JOB FOR THE SUMMER! HE'S A SWELL CHAP!
HE SEEMS VERY CAPABLE!
THE SUN SUDDENLY DISAPPEARED AND THE SEA GREW CHOPPY...
ANY NEWS, JIM?
A HURRICANE HEADING THIS WAY! I'M GOING TO MAKE A RUN FOR THE ISLANDS!
OH, DEAR, ISN'T THIS DREADFUL!
WE HUDDLED BELOW, AND OUR ALARM GREW WITH THE VIOLENCE OF THE LITTLE SHIP'S MOVEMENTS! THEN SUDDENLY THE SKIES GREW BLACK AND AN OMINOUS SILENCE SETTLED OVER THE YACHT AND SEA AND SKY!
GET INTO YOUR LIFE PRESERVERS AND STAND BY... I'M AFRAID WE'RE IN FOR IT-- WE CAN'T GET BACK TO THE ISLANDS IN TIME!
WE WENT ON DECK AS THE HURRICANE STRUCK, TOSSING OUR LITTLE SHIP LIKE A SHUTTLECOCK-- WE COULD FEEL IT BREAKING UP UNDER OUR FEET!
THE SHIP'S GOING, CARTER... STAND BY TO TAKE TO THE LIFEBOATS!
STICK CLOSE TO US, JIM! I'M AFRAID I'M NOT MUCH GOOD IN AN EMERGENCY!
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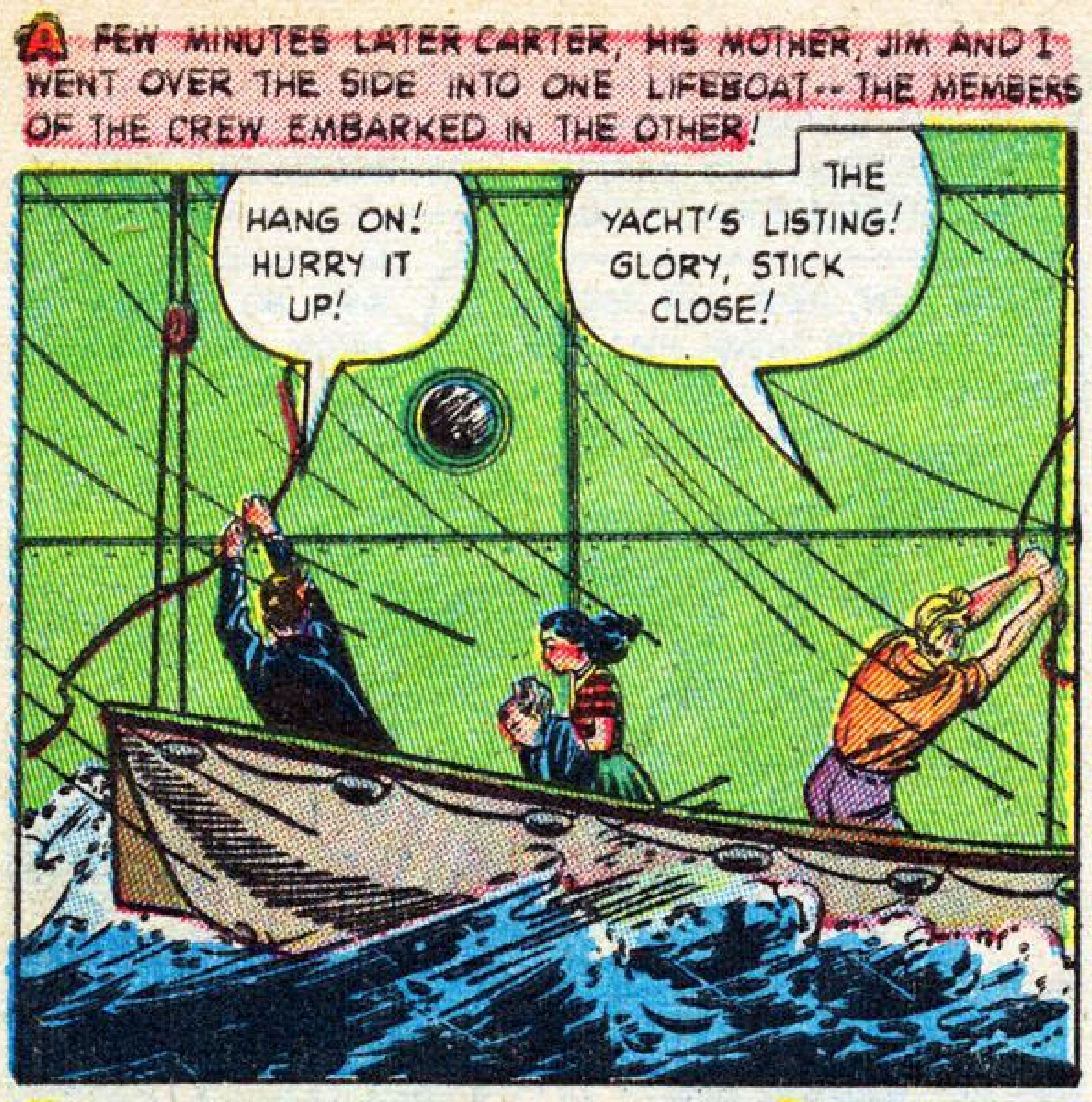
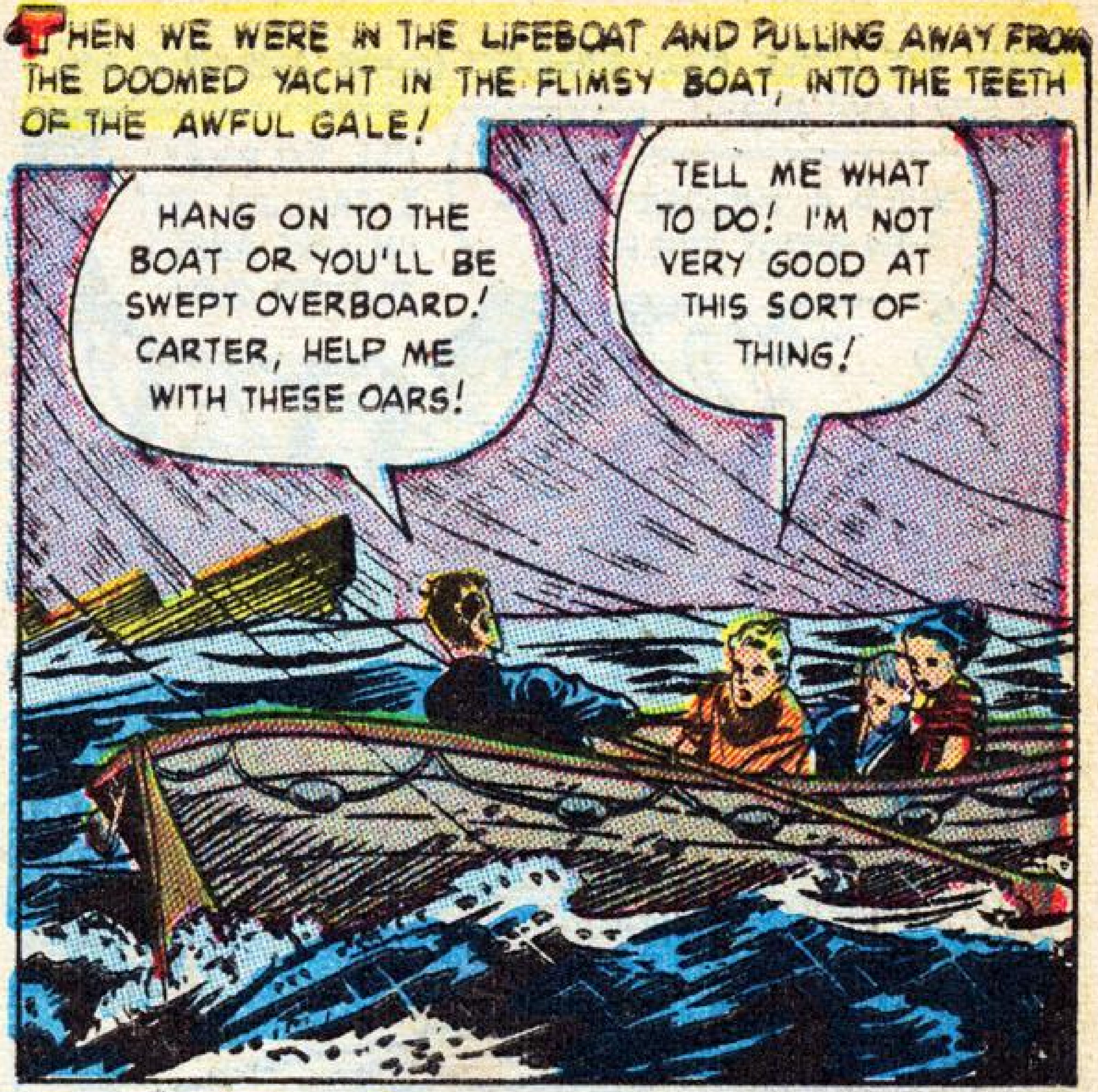
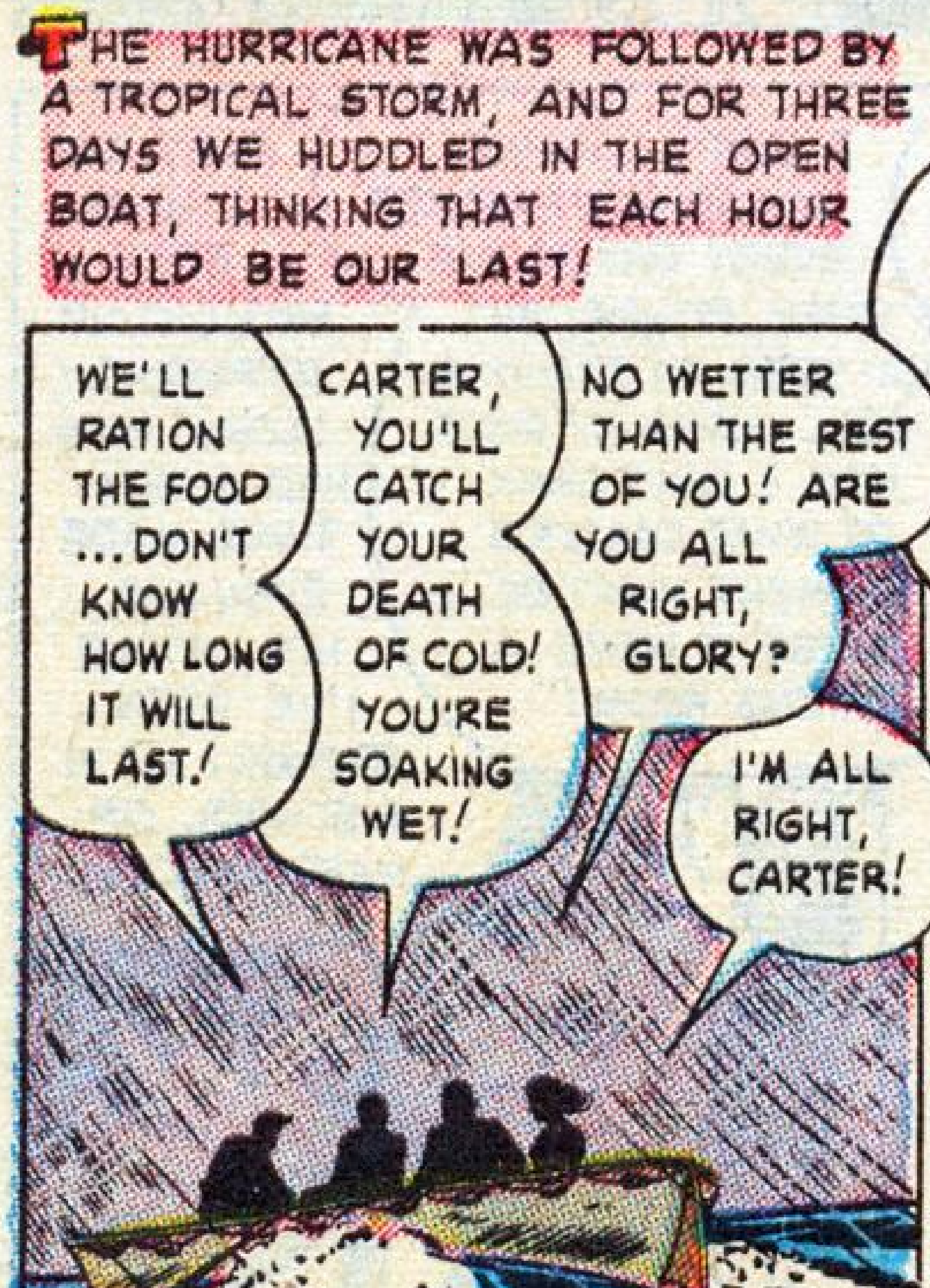
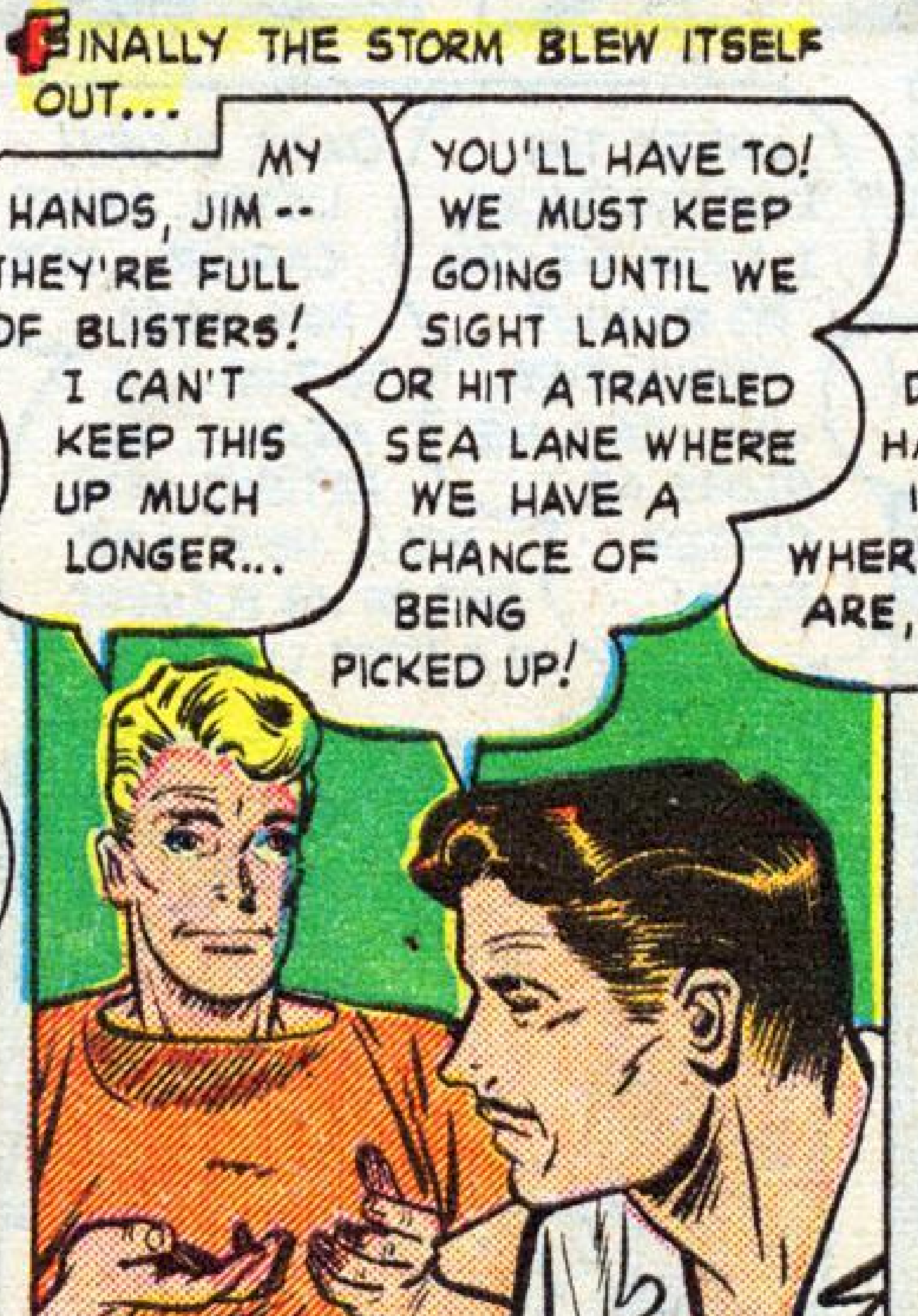
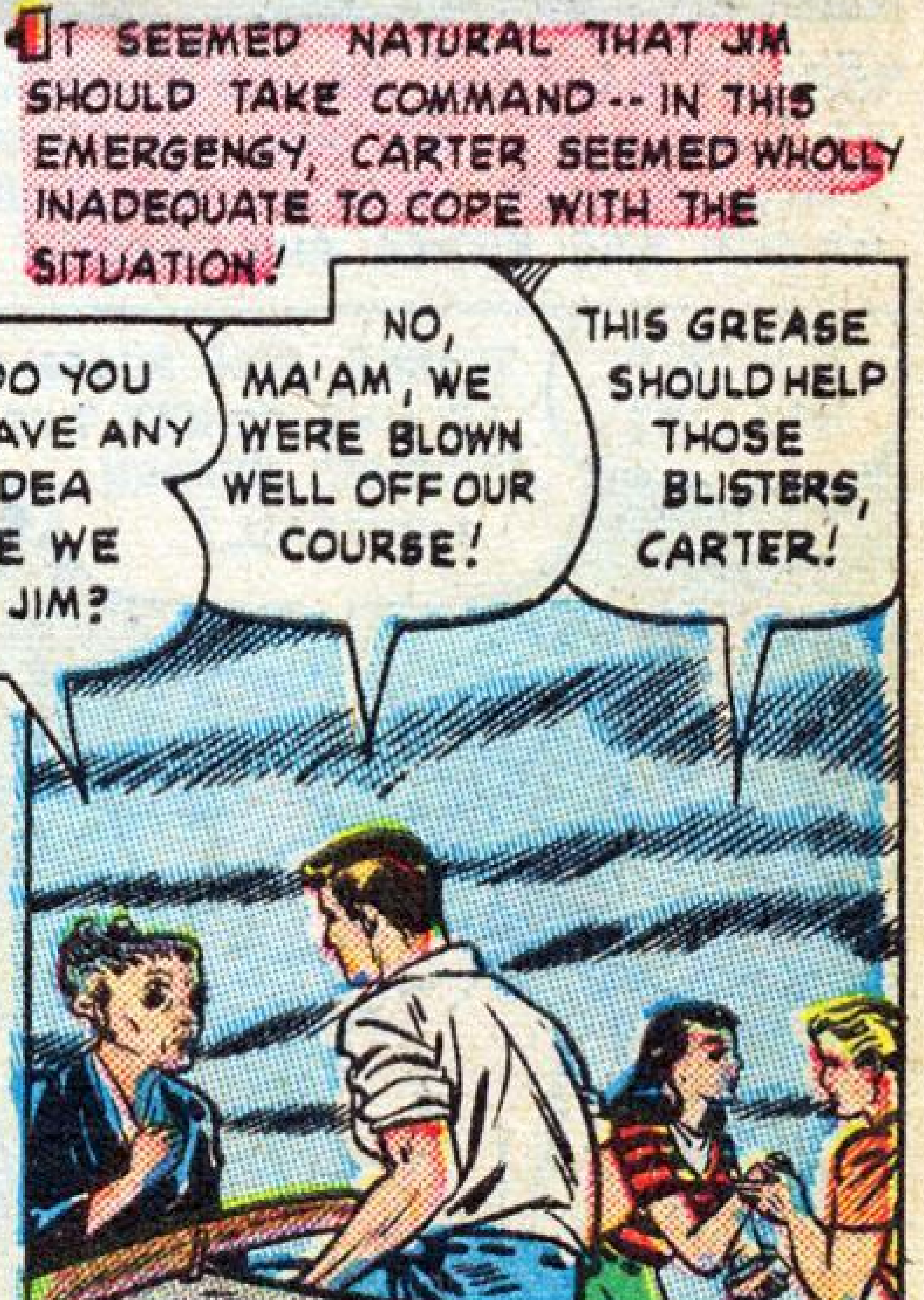
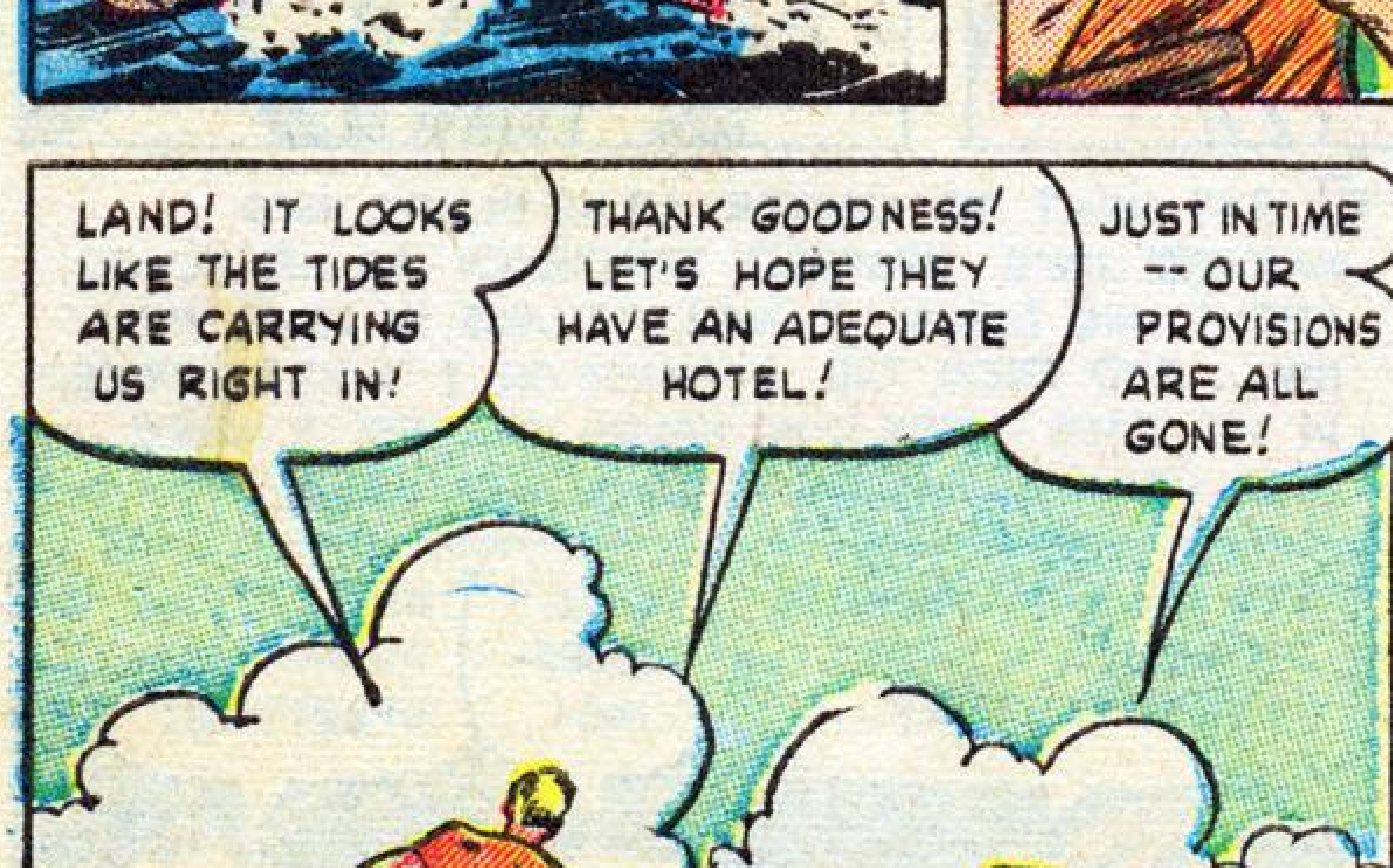

A FEW MINUTES LATER CARTER, HIS MOTHER, JIM AND I WENT OVER THE SIDE INTO ONE LIFEBOAT -- THE MEMBERS OF THE CREW EMBARKED IN THE OTHER!
HANG ON! HURRY IT UP!
THE YACHT'S LISTING! GLORY, STICK CLOSE!

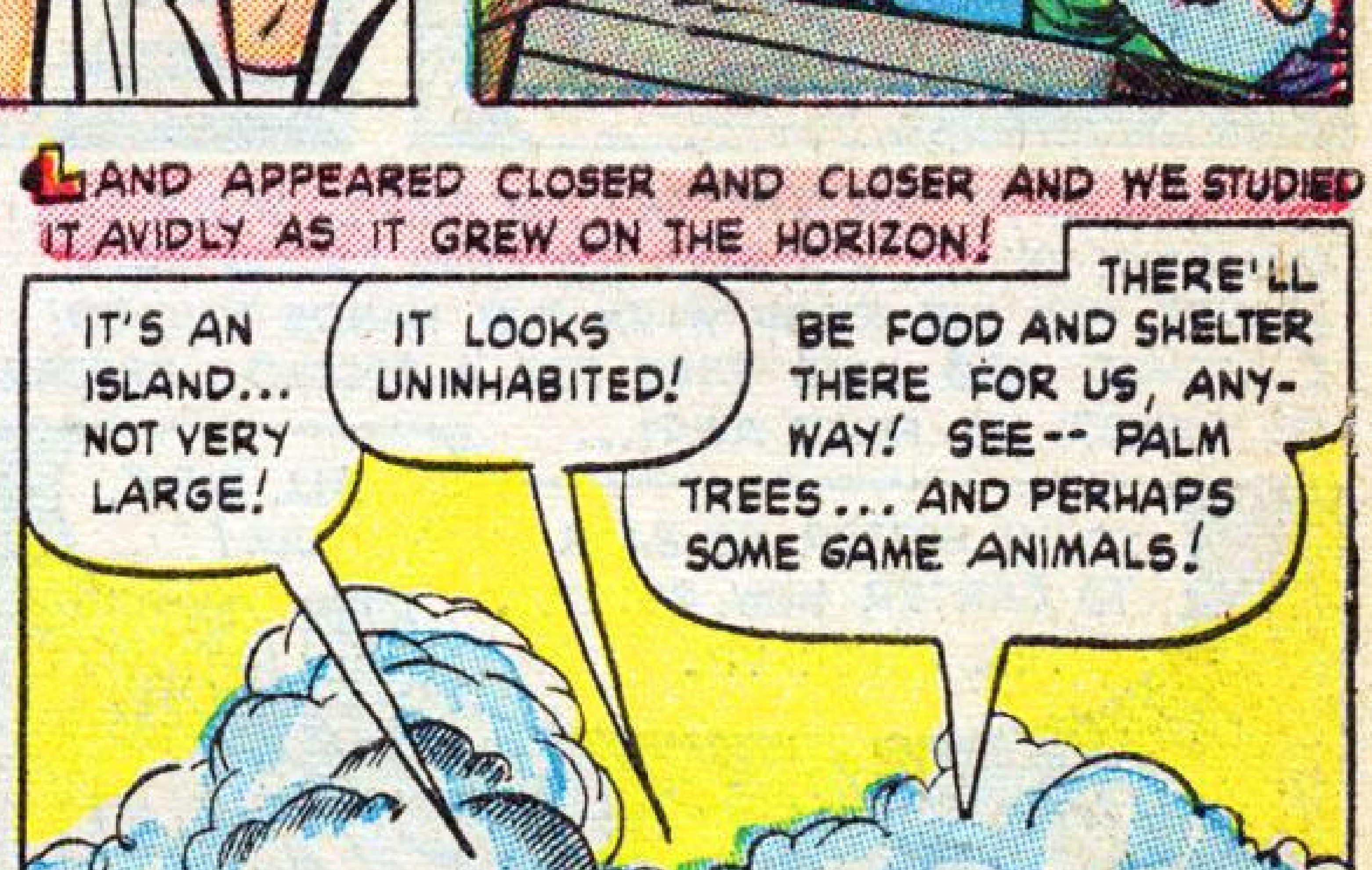

THEN WE WERE IN THE LIFEBOAT AND PULLING AWAY FROM THE DOOMED YACHT IN THE FLIMSY BOAT, INTO THE TEETH OF THE AWFUL GALE!
HANG ON TO THE BOAT OR YOU'LL BE SWEPT OVERBOARD! CARTER, HELP ME WITH THESE OARS!
TELL ME WHAT TO DO! I'M NOT VERY GOOD AT THIS SORT OF THING!

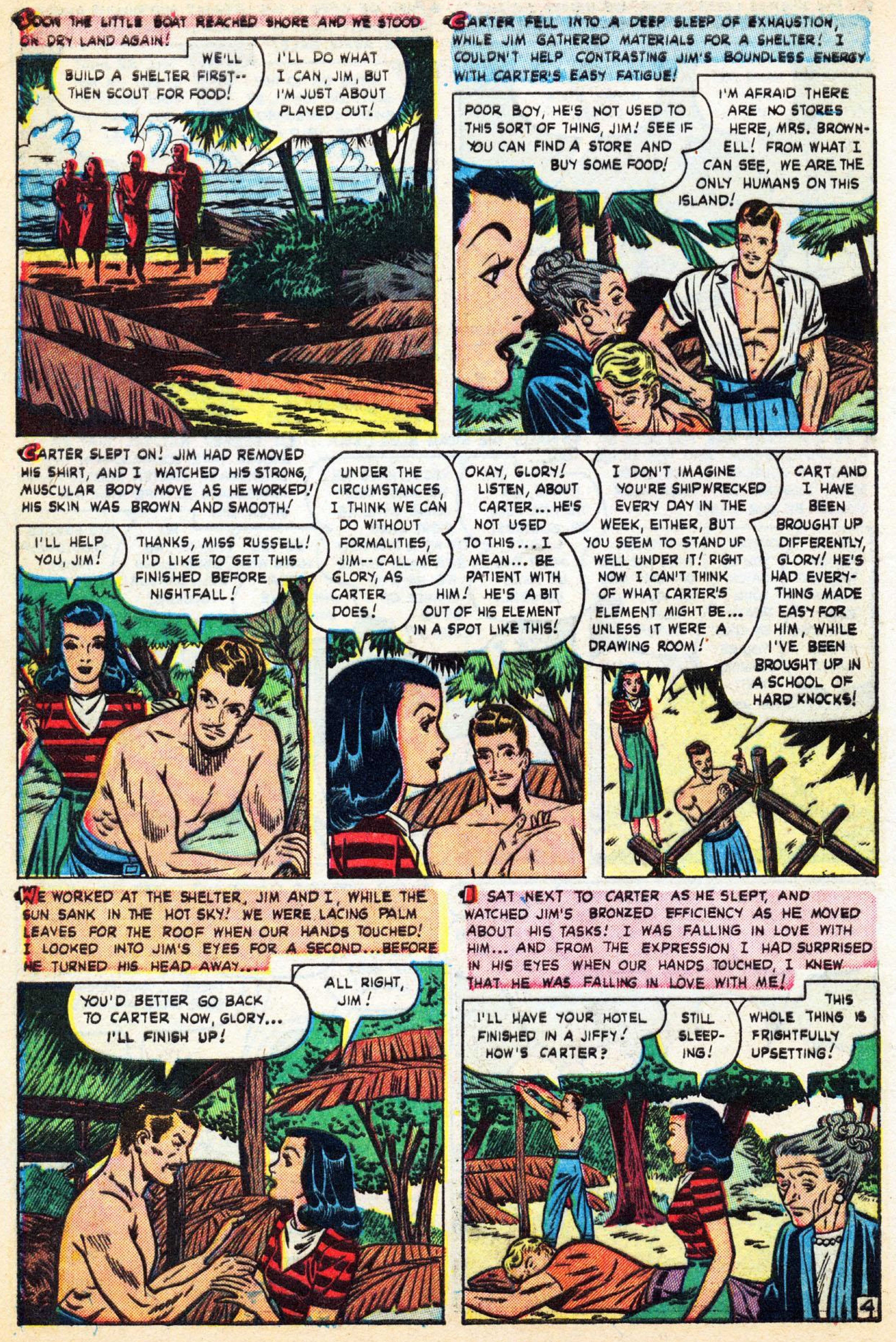

THE HURRICANE WAS FOLLOWED BY A TROPICAL STORM, AND FOR THREE DAYS WE HUDDLED IN THE OPEN BOAT, THINKING THAT EACH HOUR WOULD BE OUR LAST!
WE'LL RATION THE FOOD ...DON'T KNOW HOW LONG IT WILL LAST!
CARTER, YOU'LL CATCH YOUR DEATH OF COLD! YOU'RE SOAKING WET!
NO WETTER THAN THE REST OF YOU! ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, GLORY?
I'M ALL RIGHT, CARTER!

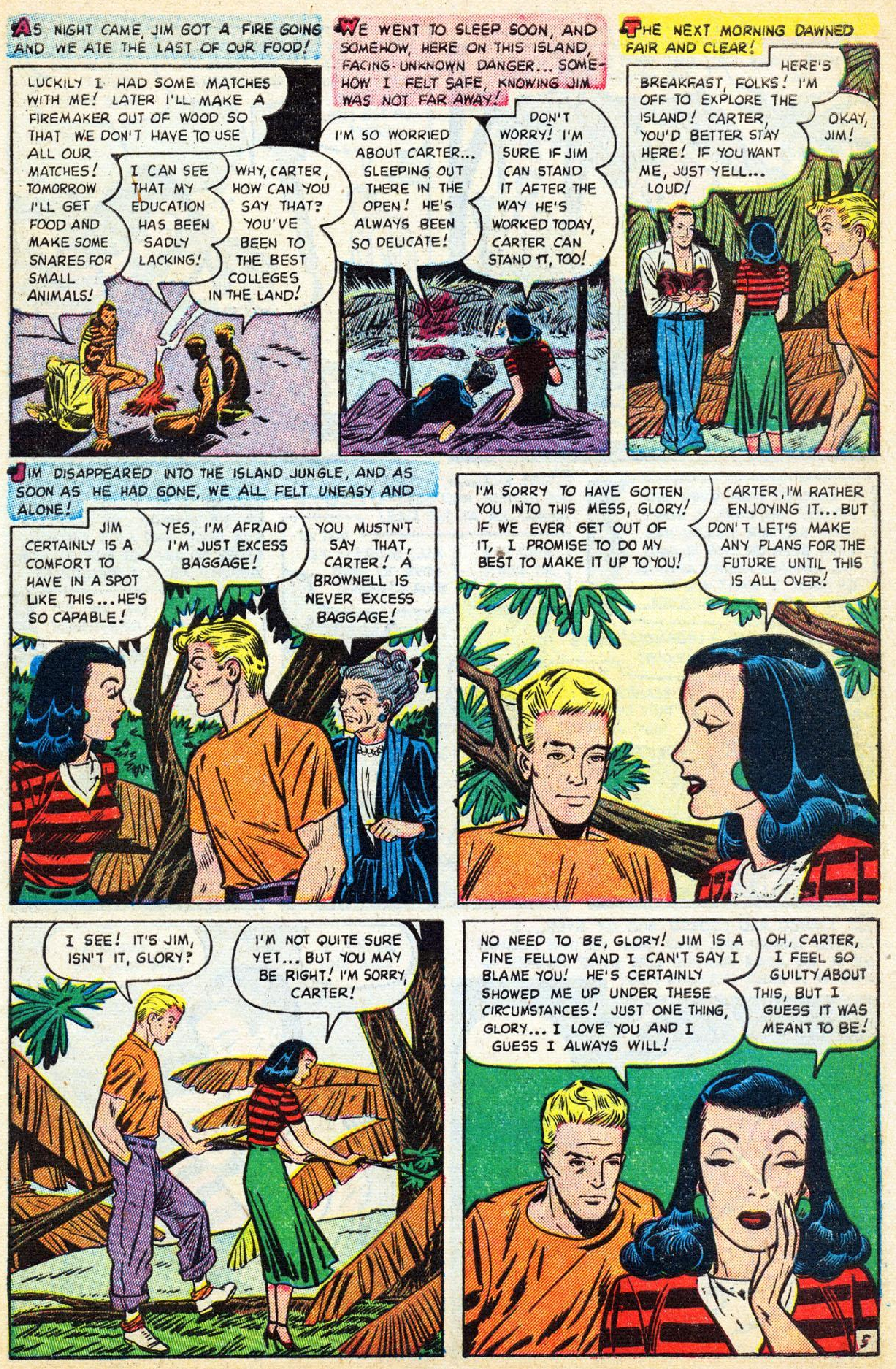

FINALLY THE STORM BLEW ITSELF OUT...
MY HANDS, JIM -- THEY'RE FULL OF BLISTERS! I CAN'T KEEP THIS UP MUCH LONGER...
YOU'LL HAVE TO! WE MUST KEEP GOING UNTIL WE SIGHT LAND OR HIT A TRAVELED SEA LANE WHERE WE HAVE A CHANCE OF BEING PICKED UP!


IT SEEMED NATURAL THAT JIM SHOULD TAKE COMMAND -- IN THIS EMERGENCY, CARTER SEEMED WHOLLY INADEQUATE TO COPE WITH THE SITUATION!
DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA WHERE WE ARE, JIM?
NO, MA'AM, WE WERE BLOWN WELL OFF OUR COURSE!
THIS GREASE SHOULD HELP THOSE BLISTERS, CARTER!


LAND! IT LOOKS LIKE THE TIDES ARE CARRYING US RIGHT IN!
THANK GOODNESS! LET'S HOPE THEY HAVE AN ADEQUATE HOTEL!
JUST IN TIME -- OUR PROVISIONS ARE ALL GONE!


LAND APPEARED CLOSER AND CLOSER AND WE STUDIED IT AVIDLY AS IT GREW ON THE HORIZON!
IT'S AN ISLAND... NOT VERY LARGE!
IT LOOKS UNINHABITED!
THERE'LL BE FOOD AND SHELTER THERE FOR US, ANYWAY! SEE -- PALM TREES... AND PERHAPS SOME GAME ANIMALS!


SOON THE LITTLE BOAT REACHED SHORE AND WE STOOD ON DRY LAND AGAIN!
WE'LL BUILD A SHELTER FIRST-- THEN SCOUT FOR FOOD!
I'LL DO WHAT I CAN, JIM, BUT I'M JUST ABOUT PLAYED OUT!
CARTER FELL INTO A DEEP SLEEP OF EXHAUSTION, WHILE JIM GATHERED MATERIALS FOR A SHELTER! I COULDN'T HELP CONTRASTING JIM'S BOUNDLESS ENERGY WITH CARTER'S EASY FATIGUE!
POOR BOY, HE'S NOT USED TO THIS SORT OF THING, JIM! SEE IF YOU CAN FIND A STORE AND BUY SOME FOOD!
I'M AFRAID THERE ARE NO STORES HERE, MRS. BROWNELL! FROM WHAT I CAN SEE, WE ARE THE ONLY HUMANS ON THIS ISLAND!
CARTER SLEPT ON! JIM HAD REMOVED HIS SHIRT, AND I WATCHED HIS STRONG, MUSCULAR BODY MOVE AS HE WORKED! HIS SKIN WAS BROWN AND SMOOTH!
I'LL HELP YOU, JIM!
THANKS, MISS RUSSELL! I'D LIKE TO GET THIS FINISHED BEFORE NIGHTFALL!
UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES, I THINK WE CAN DO WITHOUT FORMALITIES, JIM-- CALL ME GLORY, AS CARTER DOES!
OKAY, GLORY! LISTEN, ABOUT CARTER... HE'S NOT USED TO THIS... I MEAN... BE PATIENT WITH HIM! HE'S A BIT OUT OF HIS ELEMENT IN A SPOT LIKE THIS!
I DON'T IMAGINE YOU'RE SHIPWRECKED EVERY DAY IN THE WEEK, EITHER, BUT YOU SEEM TO STAND UP WELL UNDER IT! RIGHT NOW I CAN'T THINK OF WHAT CARTER'S ELEMENT MIGHT BE... UNLESS IT WERE A DRAWING ROOM!
CART AND I HAVE BEEN BROUGHT UP DIFFERENTLY, GLORY! HE'S HAD EVERYTHING MADE EASY FOR HIM, WHILE I'VE BEEN BROUGHT UP IN A SCHOOL OF HARD KNOCKS!
WE WORKED AT THE SHELTER, JIM AND I, WHILE THE SUN SANK IN THE HOT SKY! WE WERE LACING PALM LEAVES FOR THE ROOF WHEN OUR HANDS TOUCHED! I LOOKED INTO JIM'S EYES FOR A SECOND... BEFORE HE TURNED HIS HEAD AWAY...
YOU'D BETTER GO BACK TO CARTER NOW, GLORY... I'LL FINISH UP!
ALL RIGHT, JIM!
I SAT NEXT TO CARTER AS HE SLEPT, AND WATCHED JIM'S BRONZED EFFICIENCY AS HE MOVED ABOUT HIS TASKS! I WAS FALLING IN LOVE WITH HIM... AND FROM THE EXPRESSION I HAD SURPRISED IN HIS EYES WHEN OUR HANDS TOUCHED, I KNEW THAT HE WAS FALLING IN LOVE WITH ME!
I'LL HAVE YOUR HOTEL FINISHED IN A JIFFY! HOW'S CARTER?
STILL SLEEPING!
THIS WHOLE THING IS FRIGHTFULLY UPSETTING!


AS NIGHT CAME, JIM GOT A FIRE GOING AND WE ATE THE LAST OF OUR FOOD!
LUCKILY I HAD SOME MATCHES WITH ME! LATER I'LL MAKE A FIREMAKER OUT OF WOOD SO THAT WE DON'T HAVE TO USE ALL OUR MATCHES! TOMORROW I'LL GET FOOD AND MAKE SOME SNARES FOR SMALL ANIMALS!
I CAN SEE THAT MY EDUCATION HAS BEEN SADLY LACKING!
WHY, CARTER, HOW CAN YOU SAY THAT? YOU'VE BEEN TO THE BEST COLLEGES IN THE LAND!
WE WENT TO SLEEP SOON, AND SOMEHOW, HERE ON THIS ISLAND, FACING UNKNOWN DANGER... SOMEHOW I FELT SAFE, KNOWING JIM WAS NOT FAR AWAY!
I'M SO WORRIED ABOUT CARTER... SLEEPING OUT THERE IN THE OPEN! HE'S ALWAYS BEEN SO DELICATE!
DON'T WORRY! I'M SURE IF JIM CAN STAND IT AFTER THE WAY HE'S WORKED TODAY, CARTER CAN STAND IT, TOO!
THE NEXT MORNING DAWNED FAIR AND CLEAR!
HERE'S BREAKFAST, FOLKS! I'M OFF TO EXPLORE THE ISLAND! CARTER, YOU'D BETTER STAY HERE! IF YOU WANT ME, JUST YELL... LOUD!
OKAY, JIM!
JIM DISAPPEARED INTO THE ISLAND JUNGLE, AND AS SOON AS HE HAD GONE, WE ALL FELT UNEASY AND ALONE!
JIM CERTAINLY IS A COMFORT TO HAVE IN A SPOT LIKE THIS... HE'S SO CAPABLE!
YES, I'M AFRAID I'M JUST EXCESS BAGGAGE!
YOU MUSTN'T SAY THAT, CARTER! A BROWNELL IS NEVER EXCESS BAGGAGE!
I'M SORRY TO HAVE GOTTEN YOU INTO THIS MESS, GLORY! IF WE EVER GET OUT OF IT, I PROMISE TO DO MY BEST TO MAKE IT UP TO YOU!
CARTER, I'M RATHER ENJOYING IT... BUT DON'T LET'S MAKE ANY PLANS FOR THE FUTURE UNTIL THIS IS ALL OVER!
I SEE! IT'S JIM, ISN'T IT, GLORY?
I'M NOT QUITE SURE YET... BUT YOU MAY BE RIGHT! I'M SORRY, CARTER!
NO NEED TO BE, GLORY! JIM IS A FINE FELLOW AND I CAN'T SAY I BLAME YOU! HE'S CERTAINLY SHOWED ME UP UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES! JUST ONE THING, GLORY... I LOVE YOU AND I GUESS I ALWAYS WILL!
OH, CARTER, I FEEL SO GUILTY ABOUT THIS, BUT I GUESS IT WAS MEANT TO BE!
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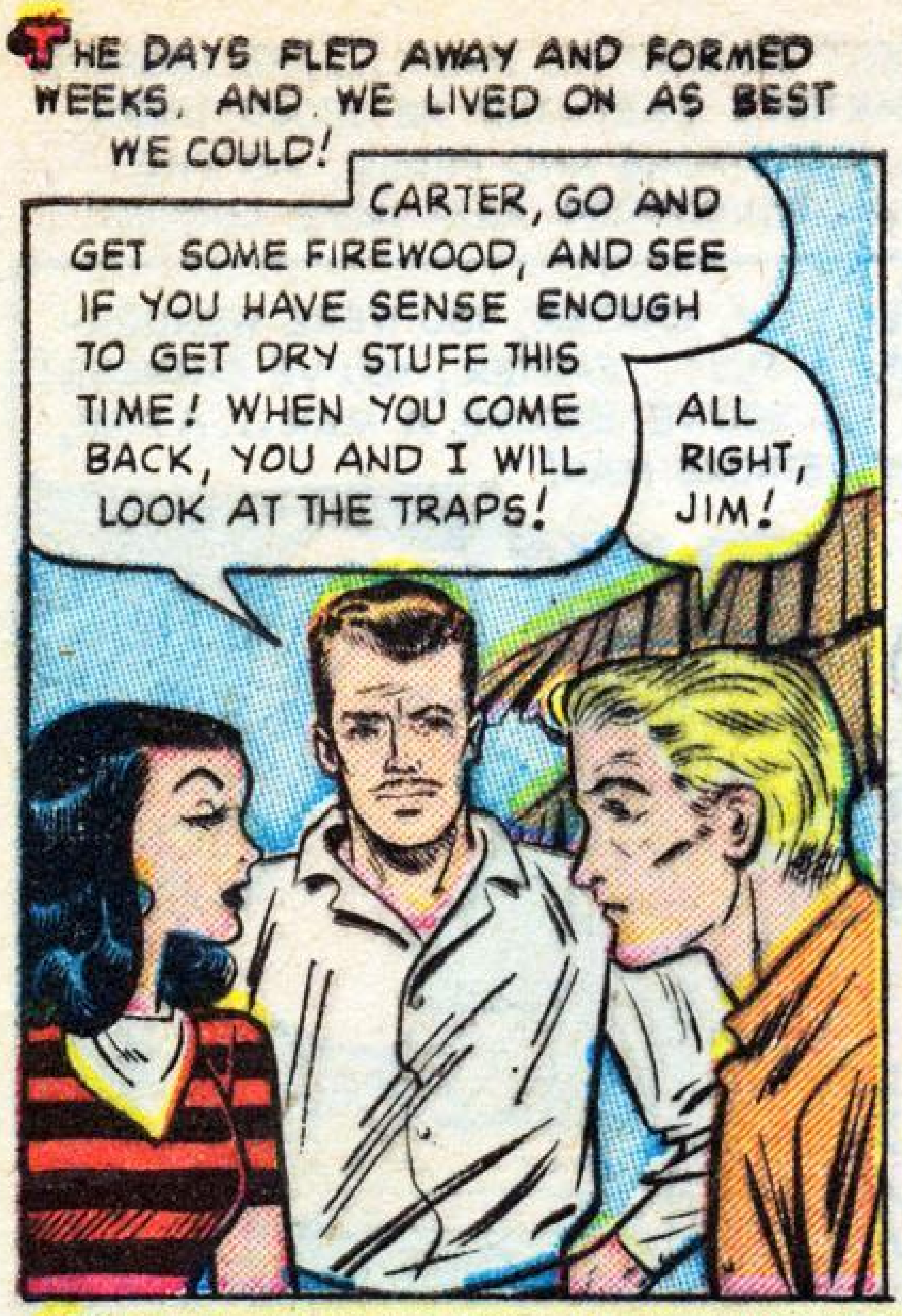
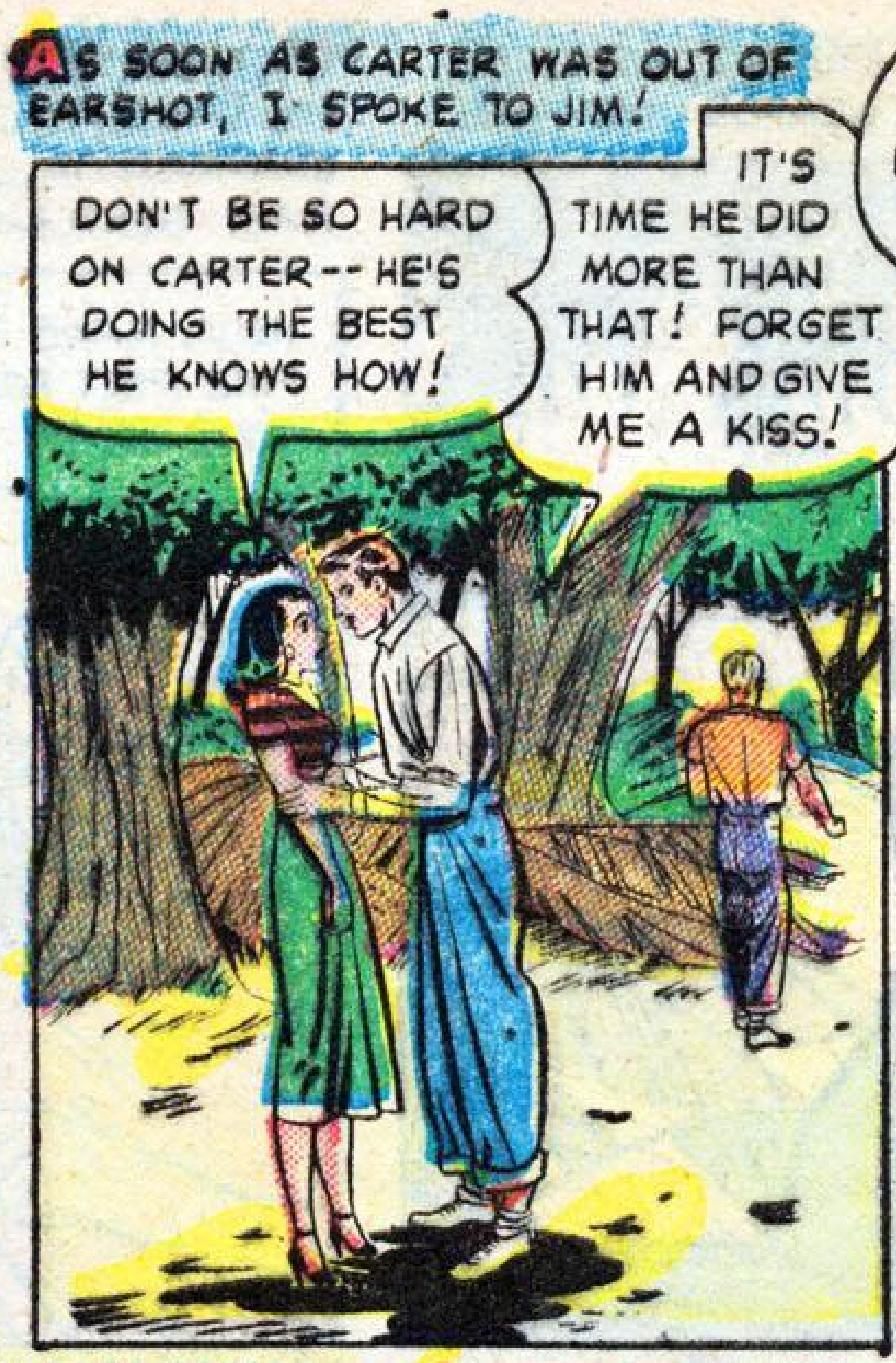
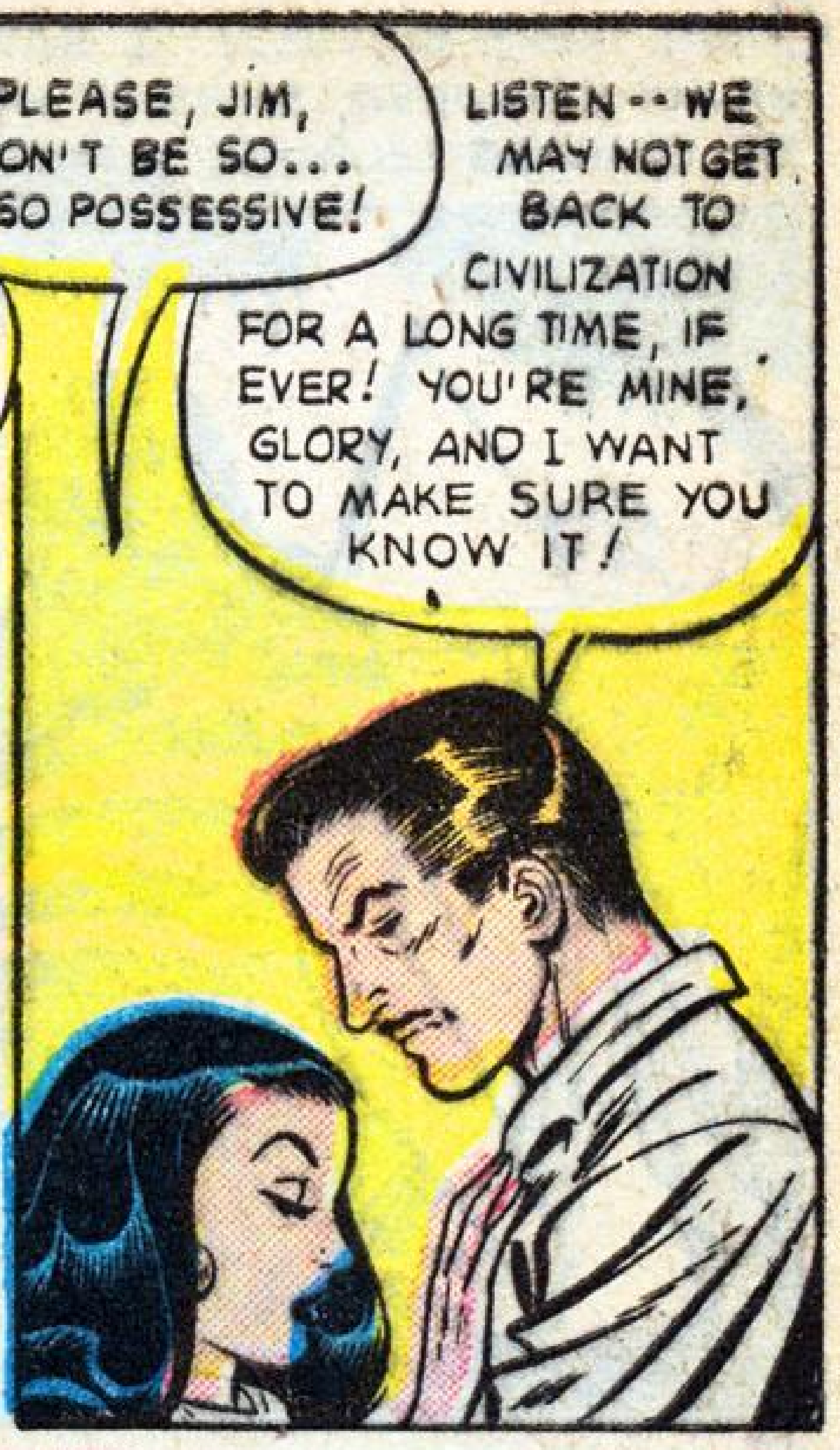
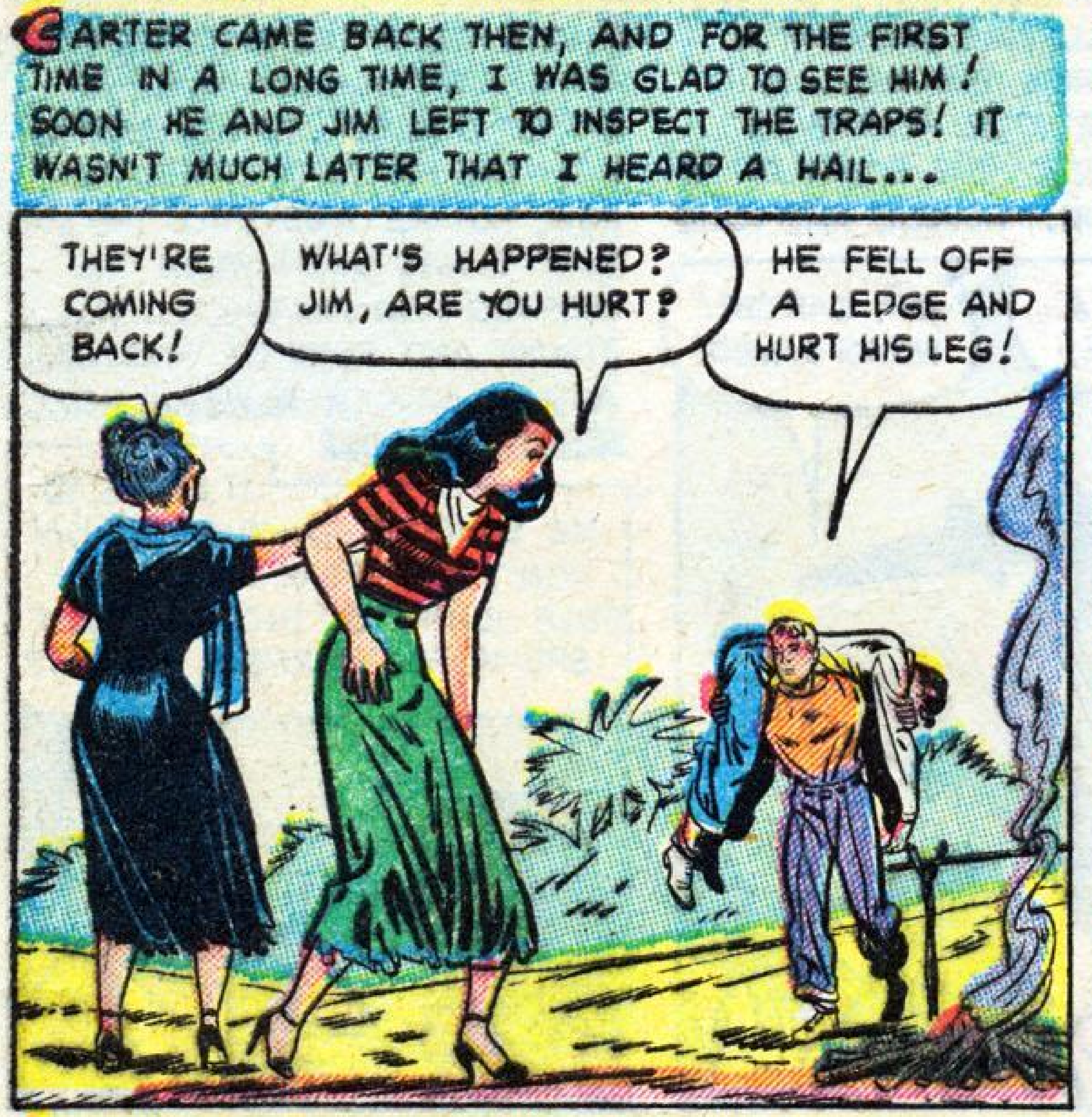
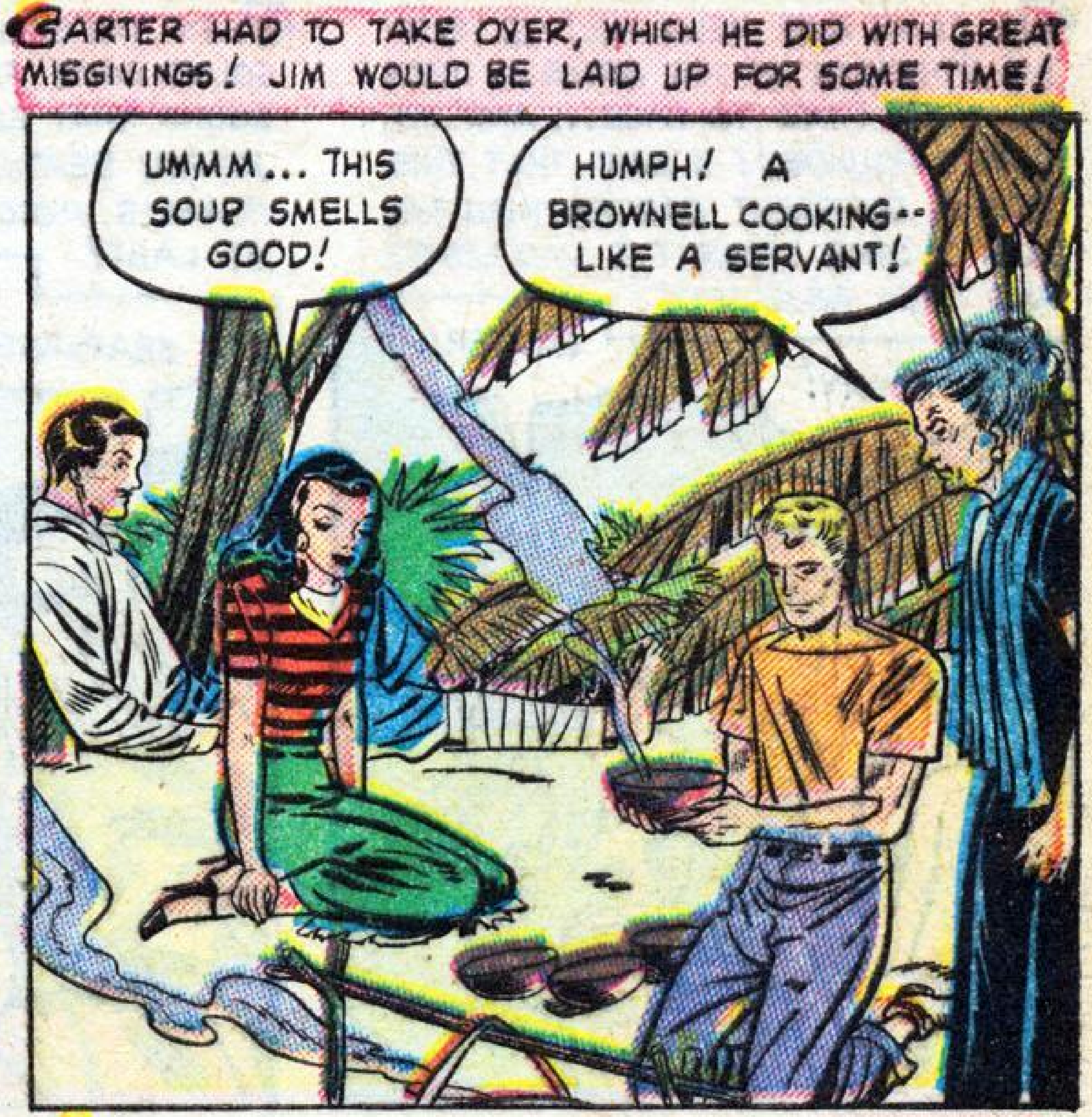
JIM RETURNED LATE IN THE AFTERNOON...
HERE COMES JIM!
JIM! WHAT'S THE NEWS?
GOOD AND BAD!
LET'S COOK THESE BIRDS AND I'LL TELL YOU! RAKE UP THE FIRE, CART!
RIGHT, JIM! ANY SIGNS OF CIVILIZATION?
HOW IN THE WORLD DID YOU KILL THOSE BIRDS?
I KNOCKED THEM OVER WITH STONES! NO, CART, I DON'T THINK ANOTHER HUMAN HAS EVER BEEN ON THIS ISLAND! THE ANIMALS AREN'T AFRAID OF MAN! I WANT YOU TO STAY CLOSE TO THE SHELTER... I SAW LEOPARD TRACKS, AND WE HAVE NO ARMS!
LEOPARDS! THAT'S SERIOUS!
THAT'S SCANDALOUS! THEY SHOULD BE KEPT IN CAGES!
THAT EVENING, AFTER CARTER AND HIS MOTHER HAD GONE TO SLEEP, I JOINED JIM AT THE FIRE!
MIND IF I SIT DOWN, JIM?
NOT AT ALL, GLORY -- I'D LOVE TO HAVE YOUR COMPANY!
SUDDENLY A DREADFUL SCREAMING CRY CAME FROM THE DEPTHS OF THE JUNGLE! WE LEAPED TO OUR FEET, AND AS I CROWDED CLOSE TO JIM, HE PUT HIS ARM AROUND ME IN A PROTECTIVE GESTURE!
THAT'S A LEOPARD'S SCREAM!
OH, JIM, I'M FRIGHTENED!
HE TURNED AND LOOKED INTO MY EYES... I SWAYED TOWARD HIM, AND THEN HE WAS HOLDING ME IN HIS ARMS AND HIS LIPS WERE CRUSHED TO MINE IN A HARD, THRILLING KISS!
GLORY, I LOVE YOU!
I... GUESS I LOVE YOU, TOO!

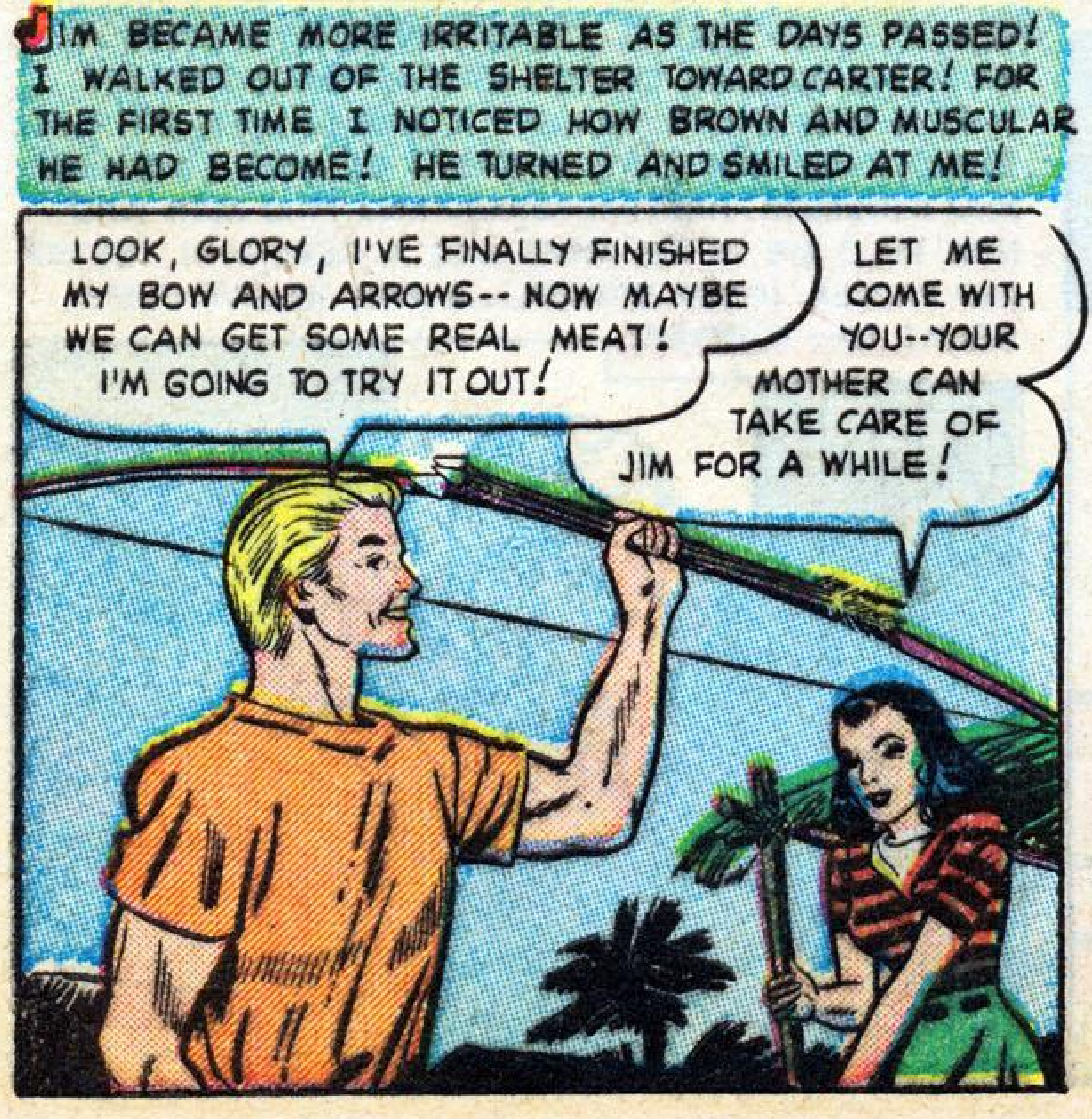

THE DAYS FLED AWAY AND FORMED WEEKS, AND WE LIVED ON AS BEST WE COULD!
CARTER, GO AND GET SOME FIREWOOD, AND SEE IF YOU HAVE SENSE ENOUGH TO GET DRY STUFF THIS TIME! WHEN YOU COME BACK, YOU AND I WILL LOOK AT THE TRAPS!
ALL RIGHT, JIM!

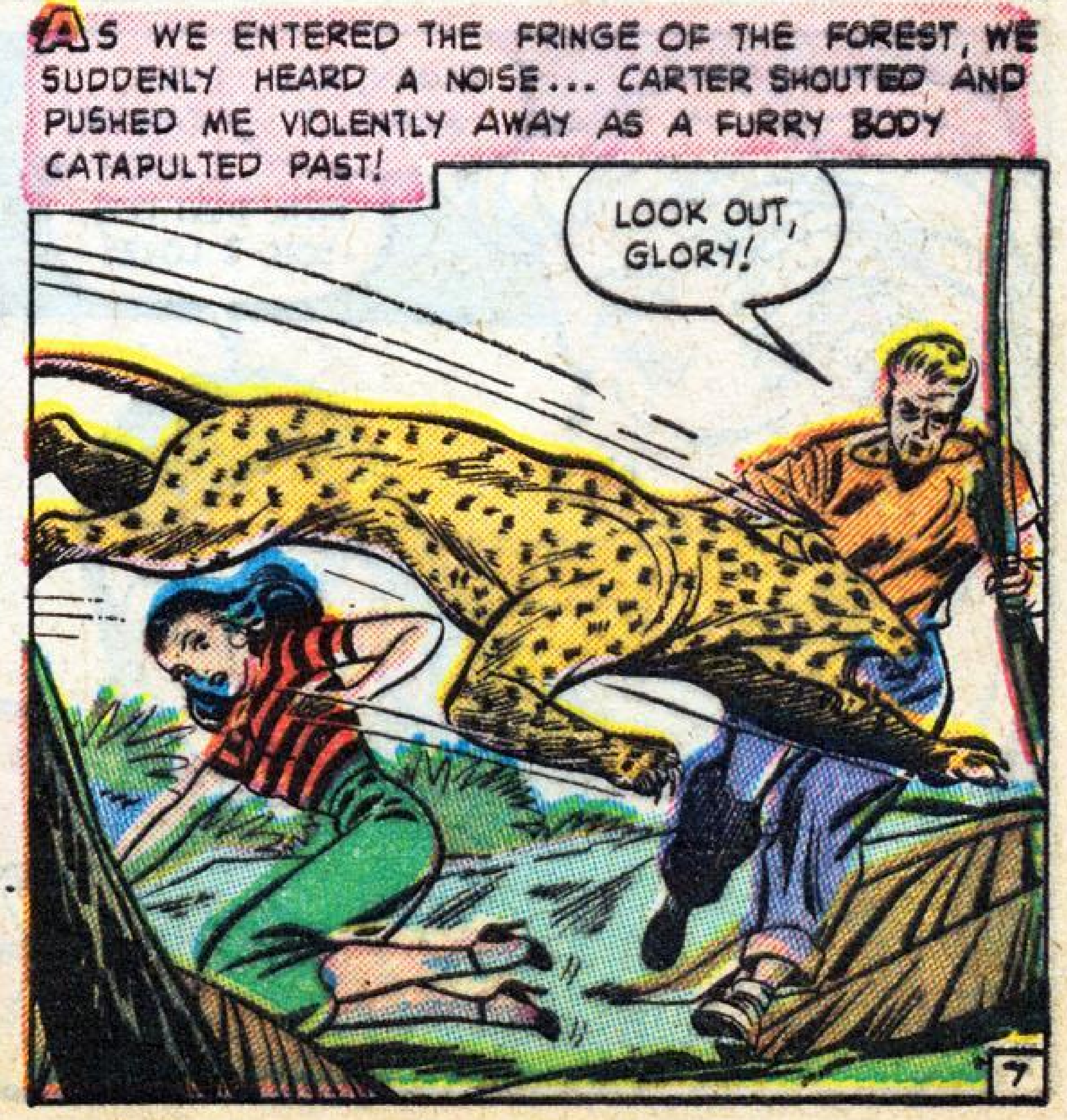

AS SOON AS CARTER WAS OUT OF EARSHOT, I SPOKE TO JIM!
DON'T BE SO HARD ON CARTER -- HE'S DOING THE BEST HE KNOWS HOW!
IT'S TIME HE DID MORE THAN THAT! FORGET HIM AND GIVE ME A KISS!


PLEASE, JIM, DON'T BE SO... SO POSSESSIVE!
LISTEN -- WE MAY NOT GET BACK TO CIVILIZATION FOR A LONG TIME, IF EVER! YOU'RE MINE, GLORY, AND I WANT TO MAKE SURE YOU KNOW IT!

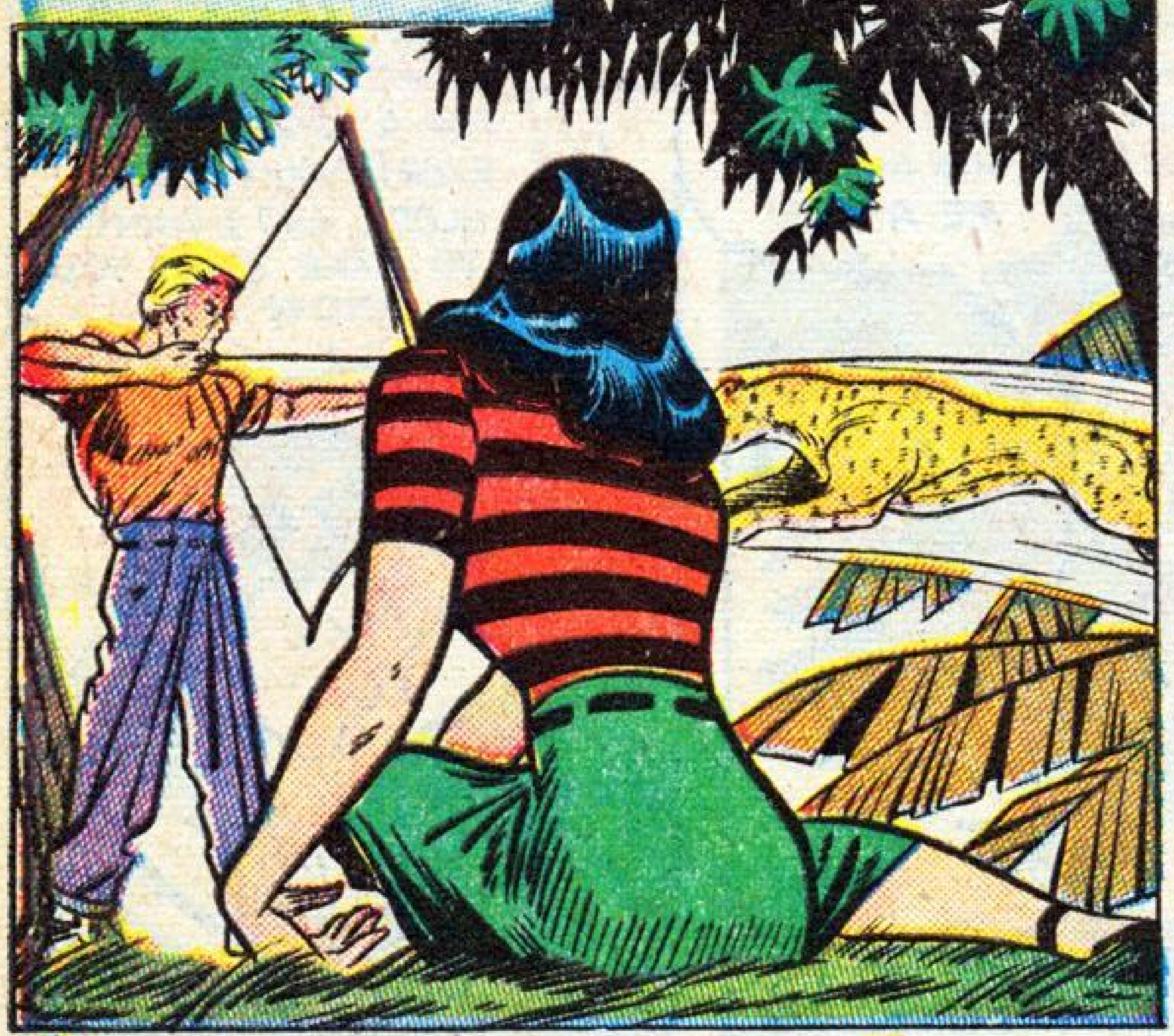

CARTER CAME BACK THEN, AND FOR THE FIRST TIME IN A LONG TIME, I WAS GLAD TO SEE HIM! SOON HE AND JIM LEFT TO INSPECT THE TRAPS! IT WASN'T MUCH LATER THAT I HEARD A HAIL...
THEY'RE COMING BACK!
WHAT'S HAPPENED? JIM, ARE YOU HURT?
HE FELL OFF A LEDGE AND HURT HIS LEG!


CARTER HAD TO TAKE OVER, WHICH HE DID WITH GREAT MISGIVINGS! JIM WOULD BE LAID UP FOR SOME TIME!
UMMM... THIS SOUP SMELLS GOOD!
HUMPH! A BROWNELL COOKING -- LIKE A SERVANT!

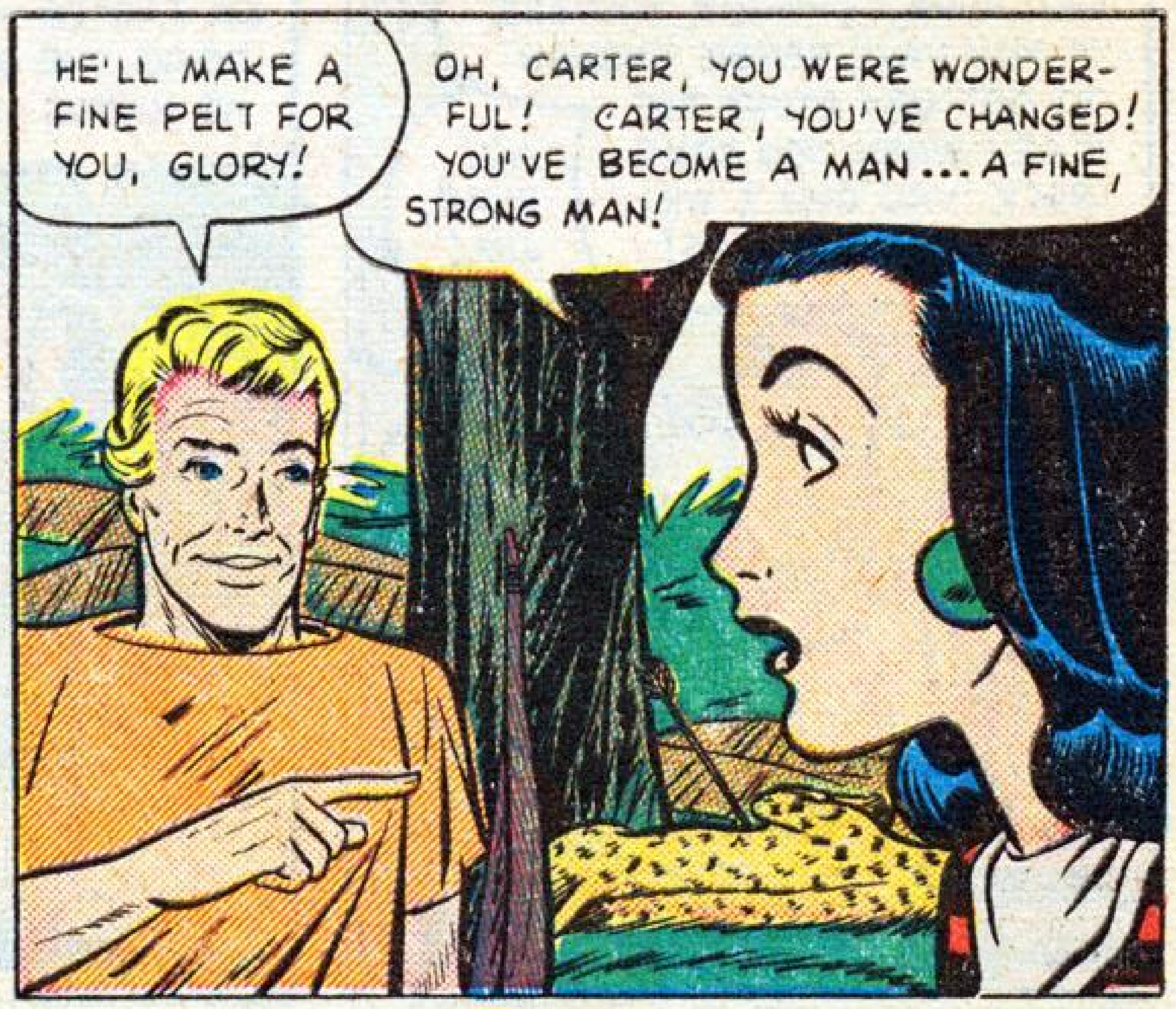

JIM BECAME MORE IRRITABLE AS THE DAYS PASSED! I WALKED OUT OF THE SHELTER TOWARD CARTER! FOR THE FIRST TIME I NOTICED HOW BROWN AND MUSCULAR HE HAD BECOME! HE TURNED AND SMILED AT ME!
LOOK, GLORY, I'VE FINALLY FINISHED MY BOW AND ARROWS -- NOW MAYBE WE CAN GET SOME REAL MEAT! I'M GOING TO TRY IT OUT!
LET ME COME WITH YOU -- YOUR MOTHER CAN TAKE CARE OF JIM FOR A WHILE!


AS WE ENTERED THE FRINGE OF THE FOREST, WE SUDDENLY HEARD A NOISE... CARTER SHOUTED AND PUSHED ME VIOLENTLY AWAY AS A FURRY BODY CATAPULTED PAST!
LOOK OUT, GLORY!

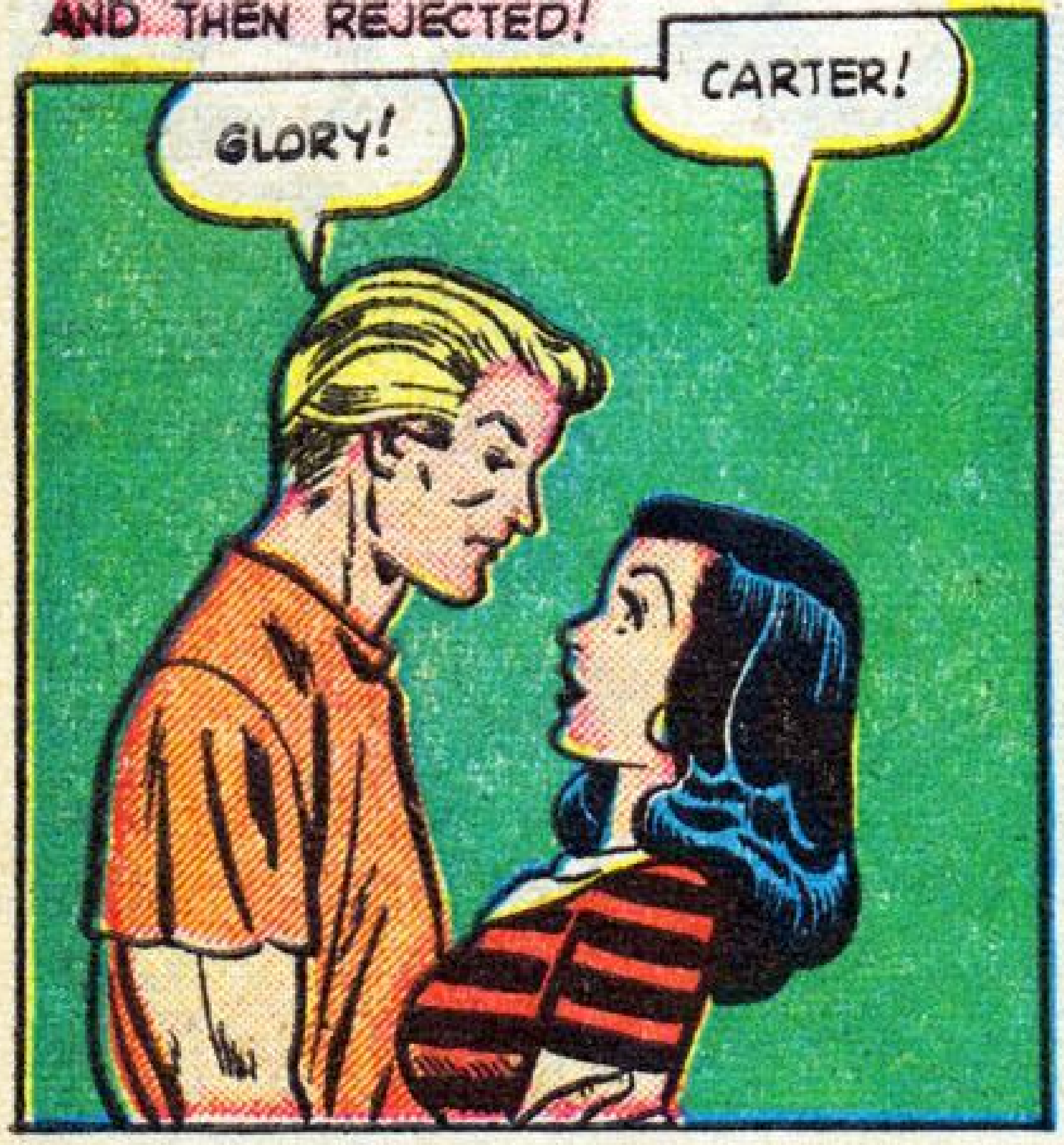
I SAT THERE STUNNED! I SAW CARTER, HIS LIPS GRIMLY NARROWED, SWING UP HIS WEAPON AND FACE THE CHARGING LEOPARD!



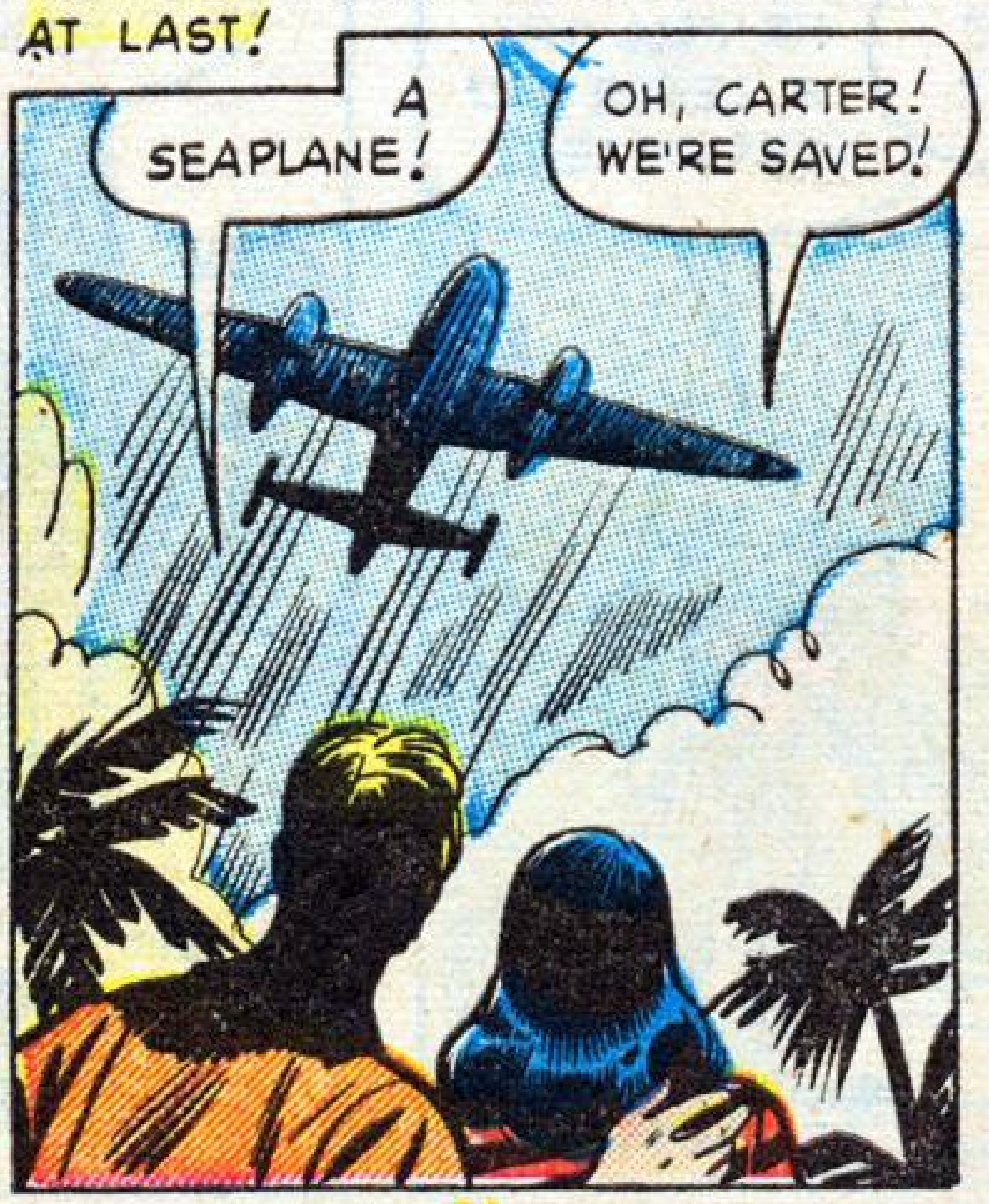
THE ARROW WENT TRUE TO ITS MARK... THE LEOPARD CRUMPLED AT CARTER'S FEET AND HE STOOD THERE UNAFRAID, TALL AND STRONG AND PROUD, AS THE FIRST GENTLEMAN CONQUEROR MUST HAVE LOOKED!


HE'LL MAKE A FINE PELT FOR YOU, GLORY!
OH, CARTER, YOU WERE WONDERFUL! CARTER, YOU'VE CHANGED! YOU'VE BECOME A MAN... A FINE, STRONG MAN!

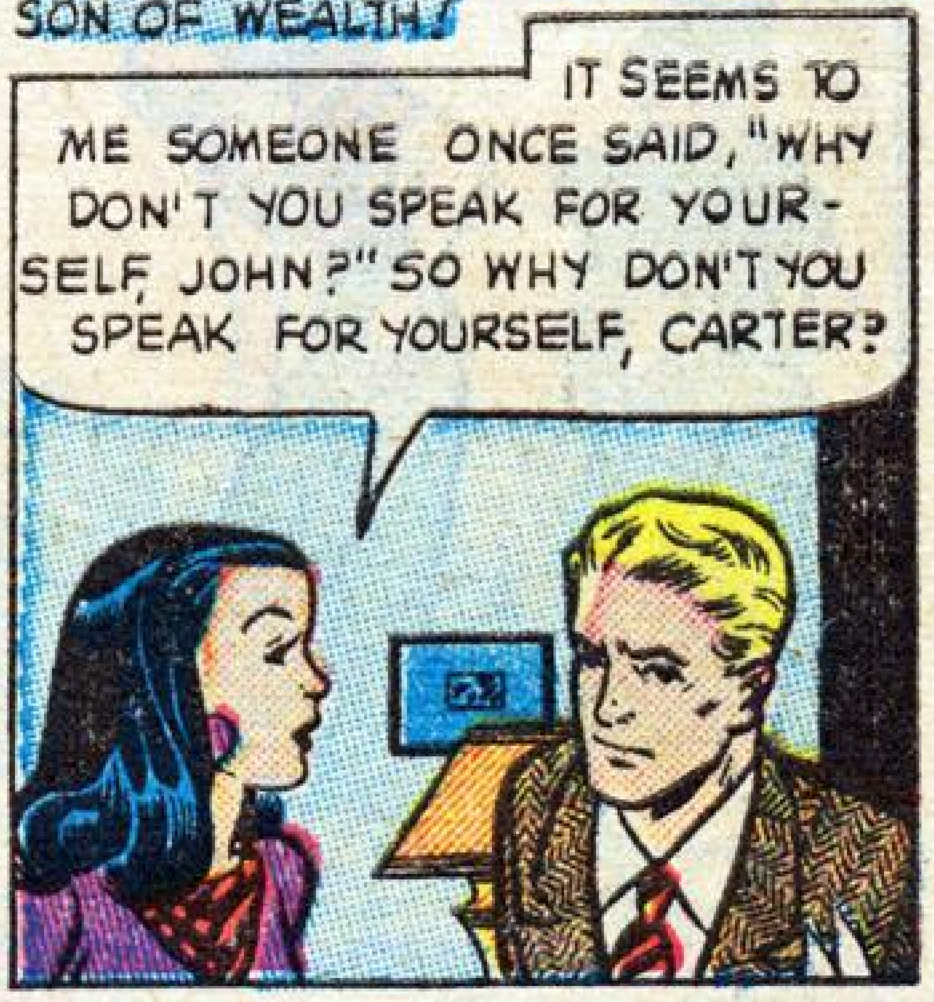
HE CAME AND HELD ME! I FELT THE STRENGTH IN HIS ARMS... THEN WE WERE FACE TO FACE... AND MY HEART POUNDED! I SAW THAT THIS WAS A DIFFERENT CARTER THAN THE MAN I ONCE THOUGHT I HAD LOVED AND THEN REJECTED!

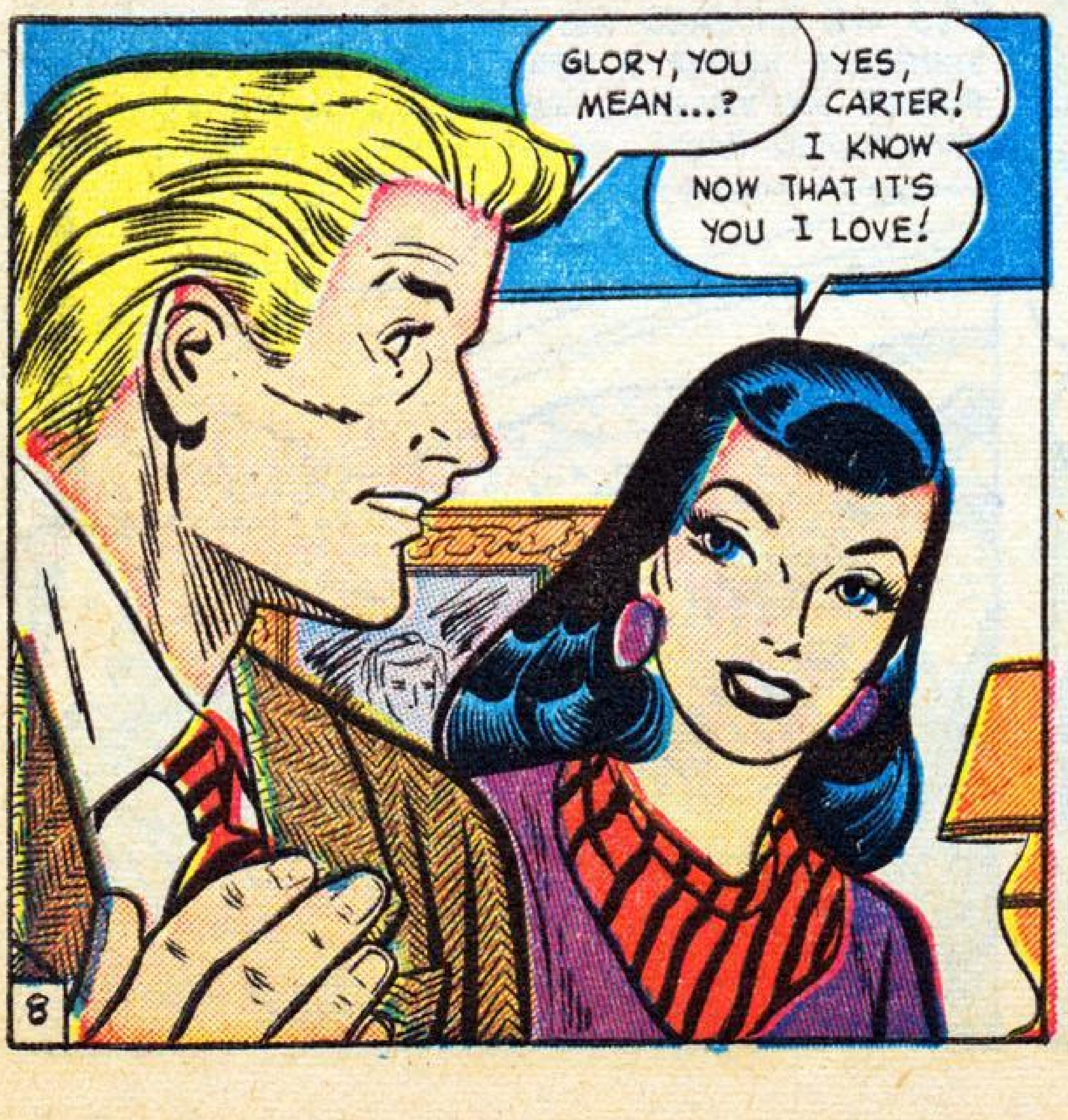

CARTER!
GLORY!

THEN THE SPELL WAS BROKEN! A SOUND CAME FROM THE AIR... A SOUND THAT SET OUR HEARTS TO JOYFUL BEATING... THE SOUND OF A PLANE'S MOTOR! RESCUE HAD COME AT LAST!

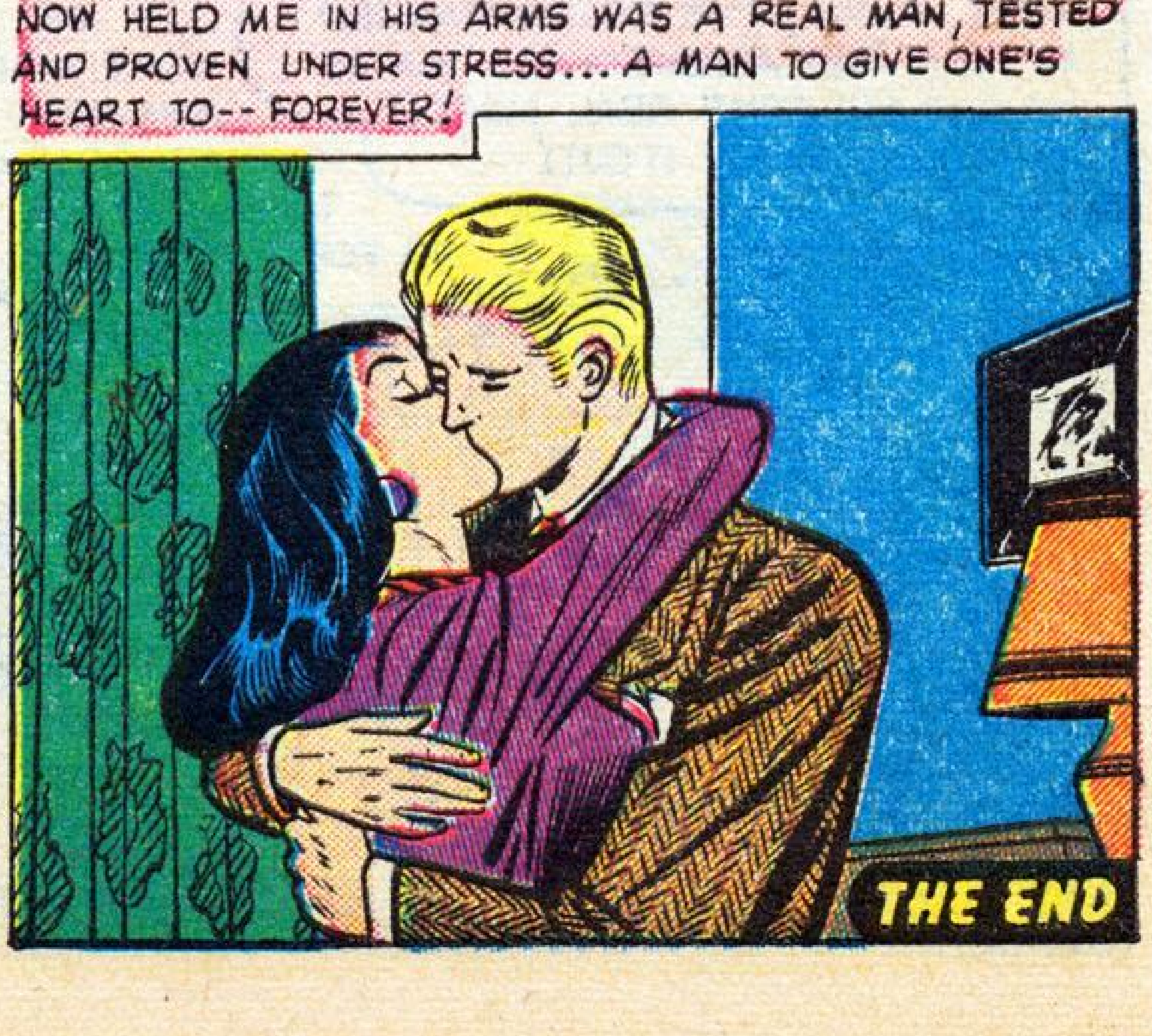

A SEAPLANE!
OH, CARTER! WE'RE SAVED!

THOSE WERE THE PICTURES THAT RACED THROUGH MY MIND AS CARTER KISSED ME GOOD-BYE! WE WERE BACK IN CIVILIZATION NOW, BUT HE WAS STILL THE MAN THAT I HAD SEEN WHEN THE LEOPARD HAD CHARGED... TALL, STRONG AND SURE OF HIMSELF... AND NO LONGER A WEAKLING SON OF WEALTH!


IT SEEMS TO ME SOMEONE ONCE SAID, "WHY DON'T YOU SPEAK FOR YOURSELF, JOHN?" SO WHY DON'T YOU SPEAK FOR YOURSELF, CARTER?


GLORY, YOU MEAN...?
YES, CARTER! I KNOW NOW THAT IT'S YOU I LOVE!

YES, I LOVED HIM! I COULD NEVER HAVE LOVED A WEAKLING SUCH AS CARTER HAD APPEARED TO BE! THAT IS WHY I HAD THOUGHT I WAS IN LOVE WITH JIM! BUT I KNEW NOW THAT IT WAS JUST JIM'S SURENESS AND STRENGTH THAT IMPRESSED ME! THE MAN WHO NOW HELD ME IN HIS ARMS WAS A REAL MAN, TESTED AND PROVEN UNDER STRESS... A MAN TO GIVE ONE'S HEART TO-- FOREVER!



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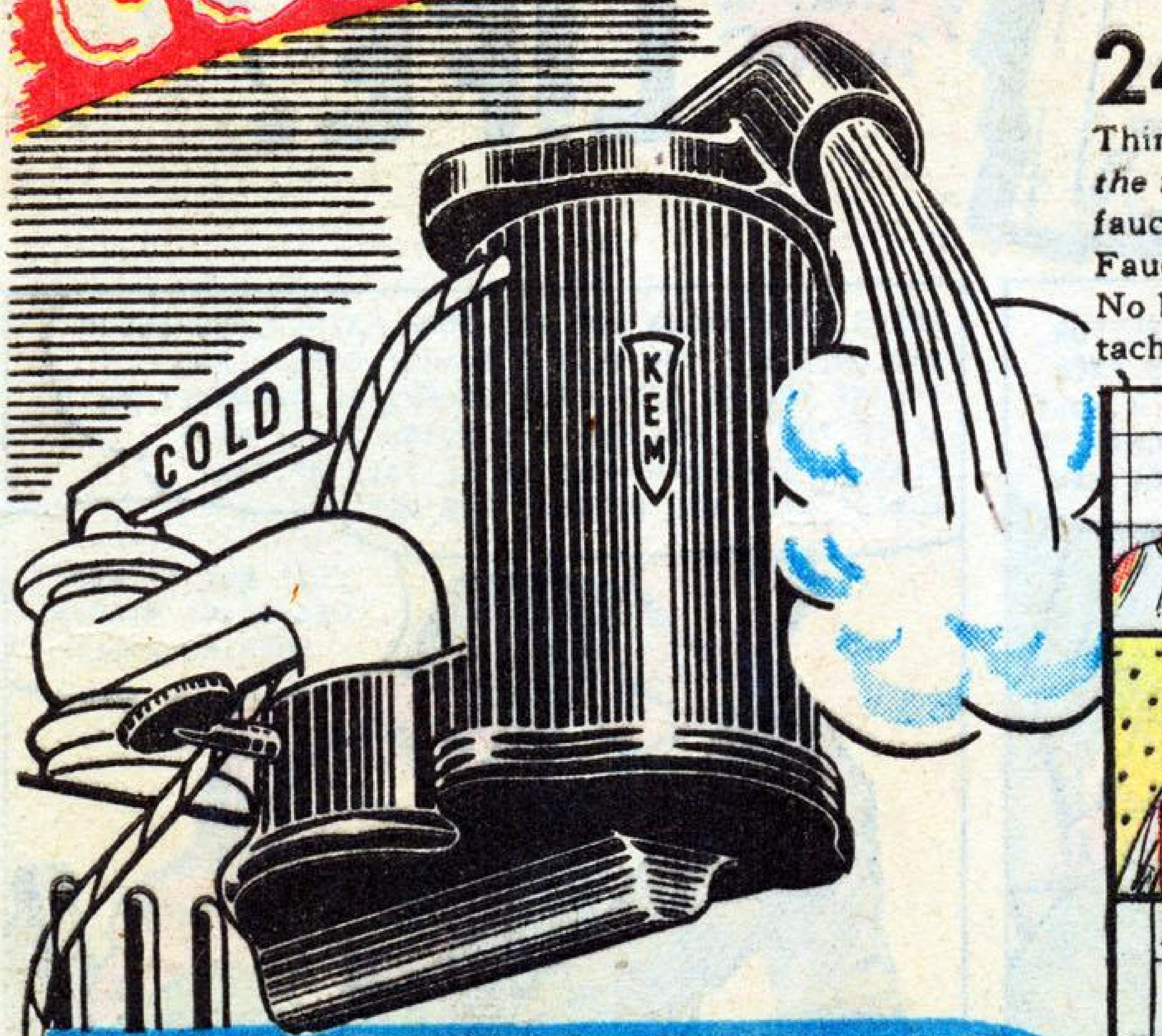

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I WANDERED AROUND IN A DAZE! THE SUN HAD GONE AND ALL THE WORLD WAS BLACK! I WENT HOME AND LOCKED MYSELF IN MY ROOM--THERE TO WEEP ALONE, AWAY FROM THE WORLD OF MEN WHO WHISPERED FALSE WORDS IN MY EARS!
SHE SAID HE'D GO THROUGH WITH IT BECAUSE I WAS BEAUTIFUL! I HATE MY BEAUTY--I HATE IT! I HATE IT!
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BUT DORIS, THIS IS RIDICULOUS! A BEAUTIFUL GIRL LIKE YOU WANTING PLASTIC SURGERY ON YOUR FACE TO CHANGE YOUR LOOKS! WHY, MOST YOUNG WOMEN WOULD GIVE THEIR CHANCE AT HEAVEN TO LOOK LIKE YOU!
PLEASE, DOCTOR, I WANT MY FACE CHANGED! I MUST HAVE IT CHANGED OR I'LL GO MAD!
DORIS, I'VE KNOWN YOU AND YOUR FATHER, PROFESSOR NAYLOR, SINCE YOU WERE A LITTLE GIRL... NOW I WANT YOU TO SEE A DOCTOR FRIEND OF MINE! IF, AFTER YOU'VE TALKED TO HIM, YOU STILL WANT PLASTIC SURGERY--WELL, WE'LL TALK OF THAT AGAIN! WILL YOU DO THAT FOR ME?
YES! BUT IT WON'T CHANGE MY MIND--NOTHING WILL!
I LEFT THE DOCTOR'S OFFICE WITH THE NAME WRITTEN DOWN-- DR. DUNCAN MANSFIELD, IN THE PROFESSIONAL BUILDING! I HEARD THE DOCTOR'S VOICE ON THE TELEPHONE AS I CLOSED THE DOOR...
I CAN'T UNDERSTAND IT, DUNC--THE GIRL'S BEAUTIFUL! YOU'RE THE BEST PSYCHIATRIST I KNOW...PLEASE SEE IF YOU CAN FIND THE SEAT OF HER TROUBLE!
I HAILED A CAB AT THE DOOR, AND GAVE THE DRIVER DR. MANSFIELD'S ADDRESS!
THE PROFESSIONAL BUILDING, PLEASE!
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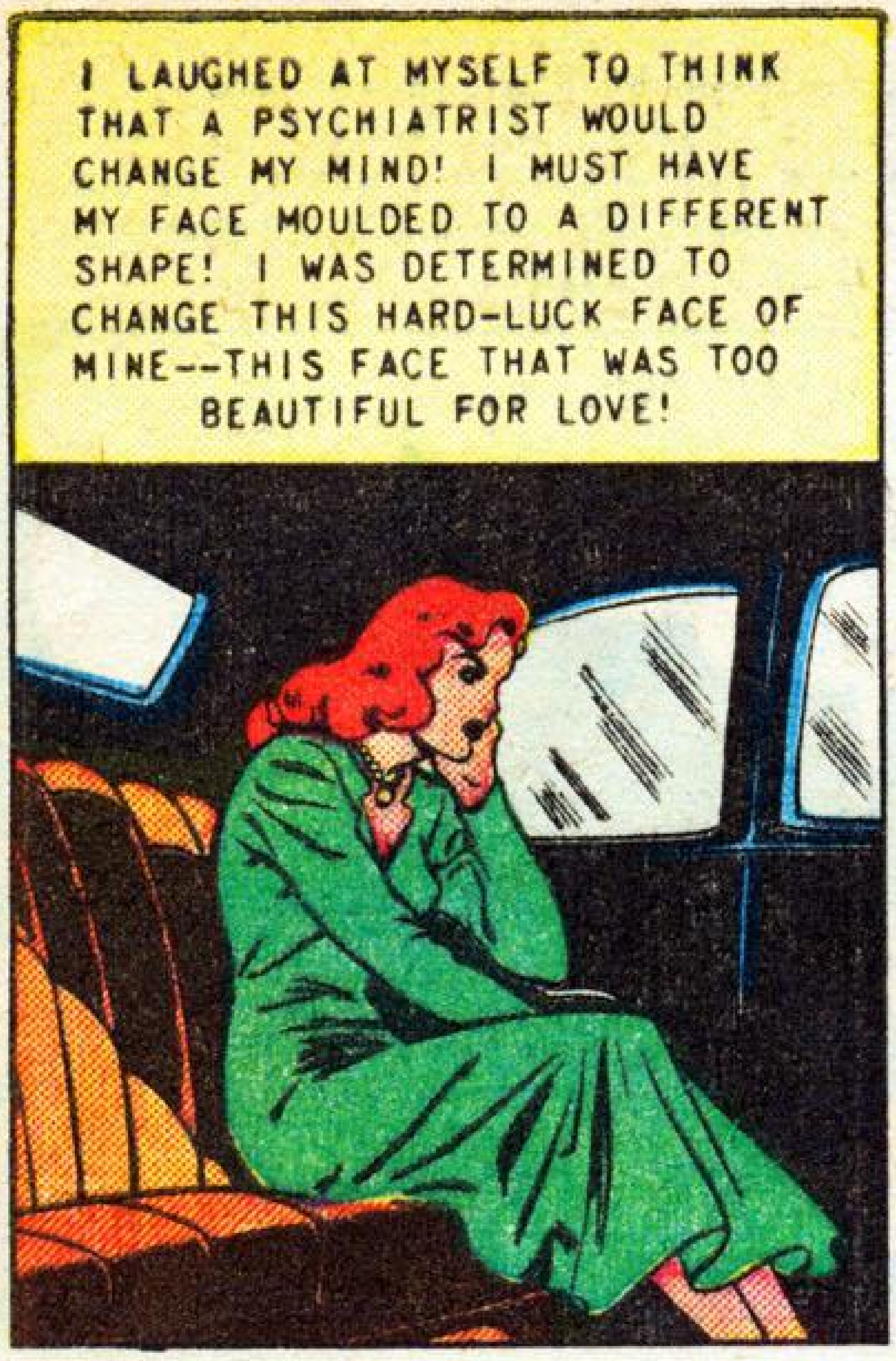
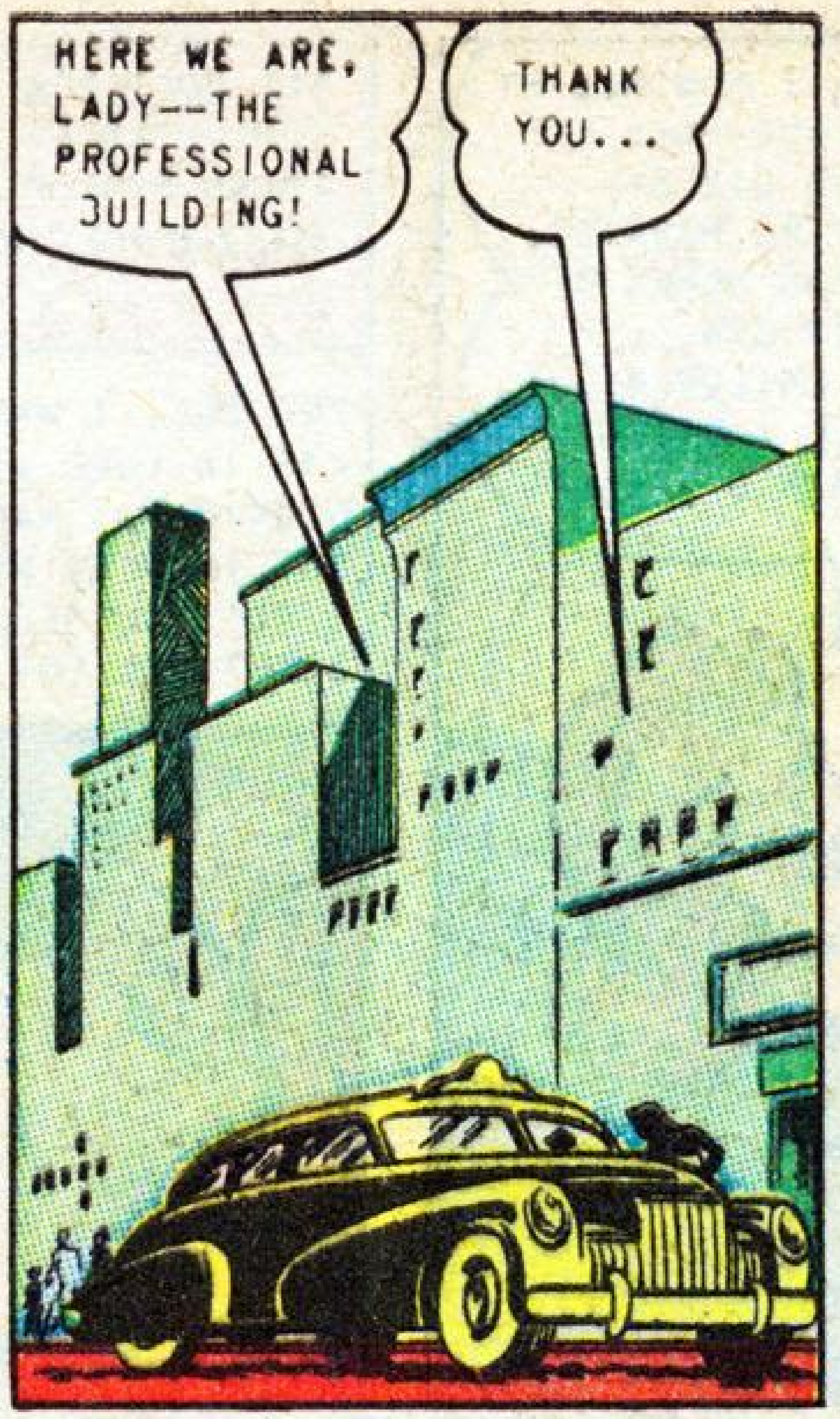
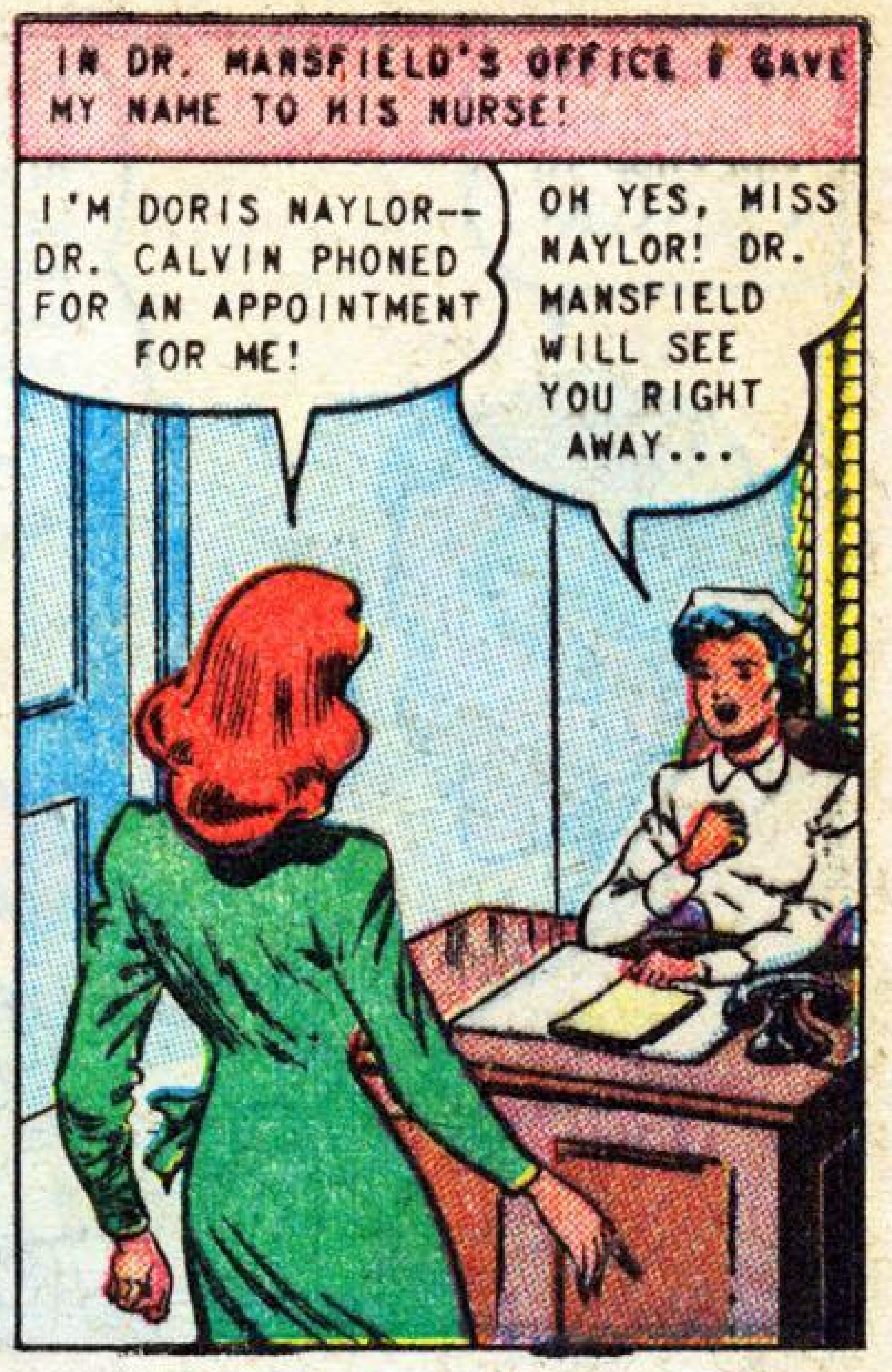
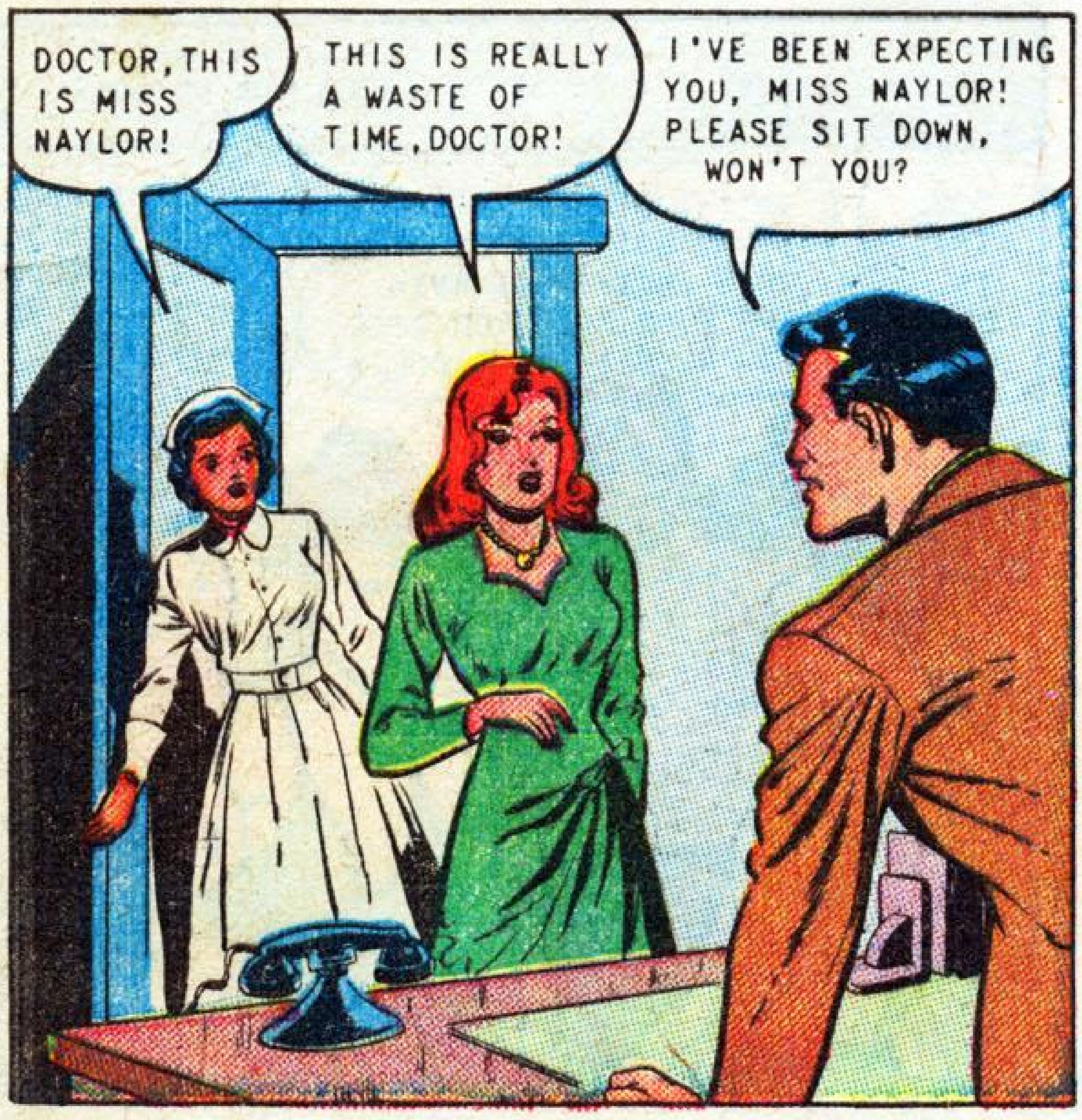
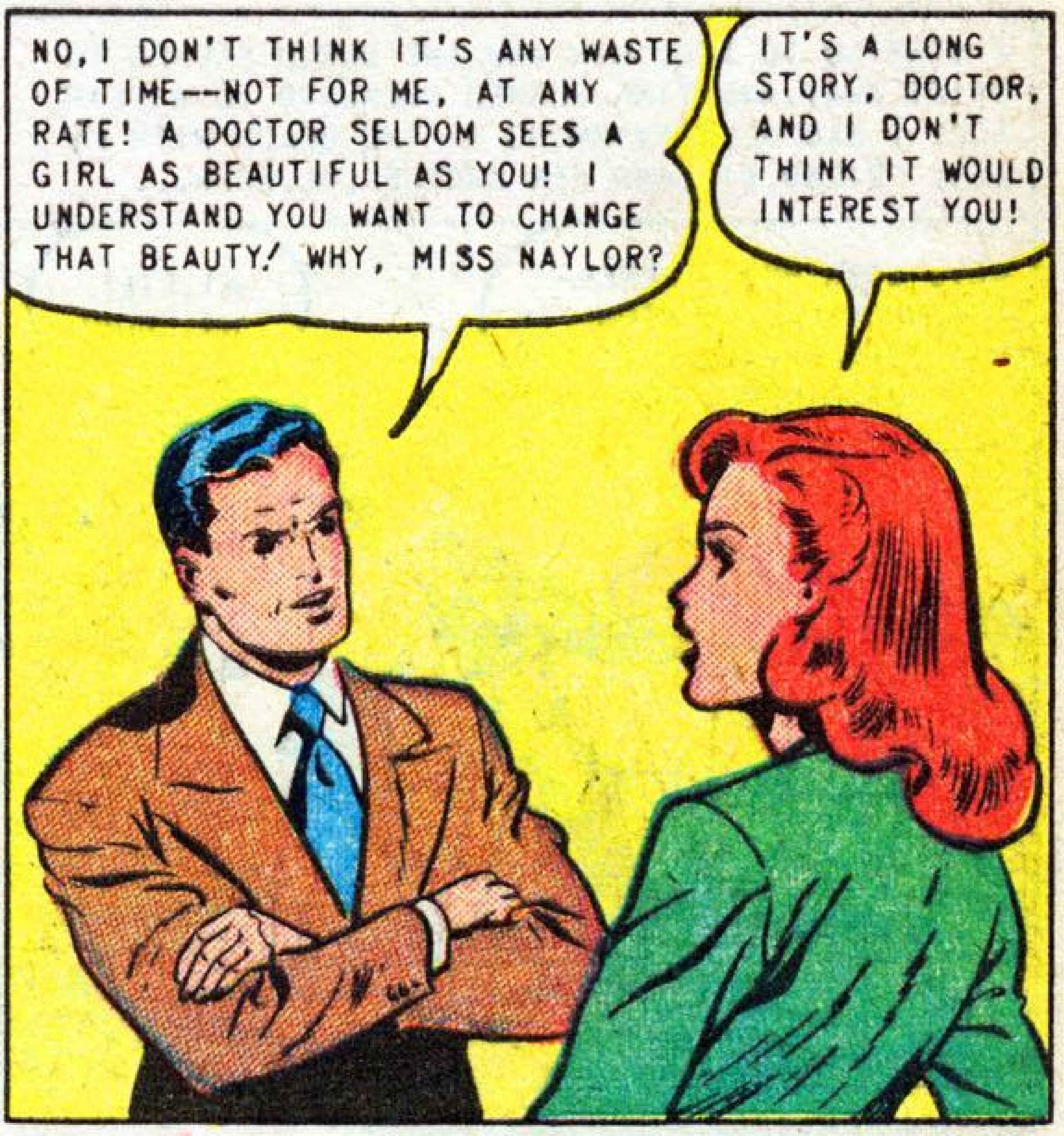
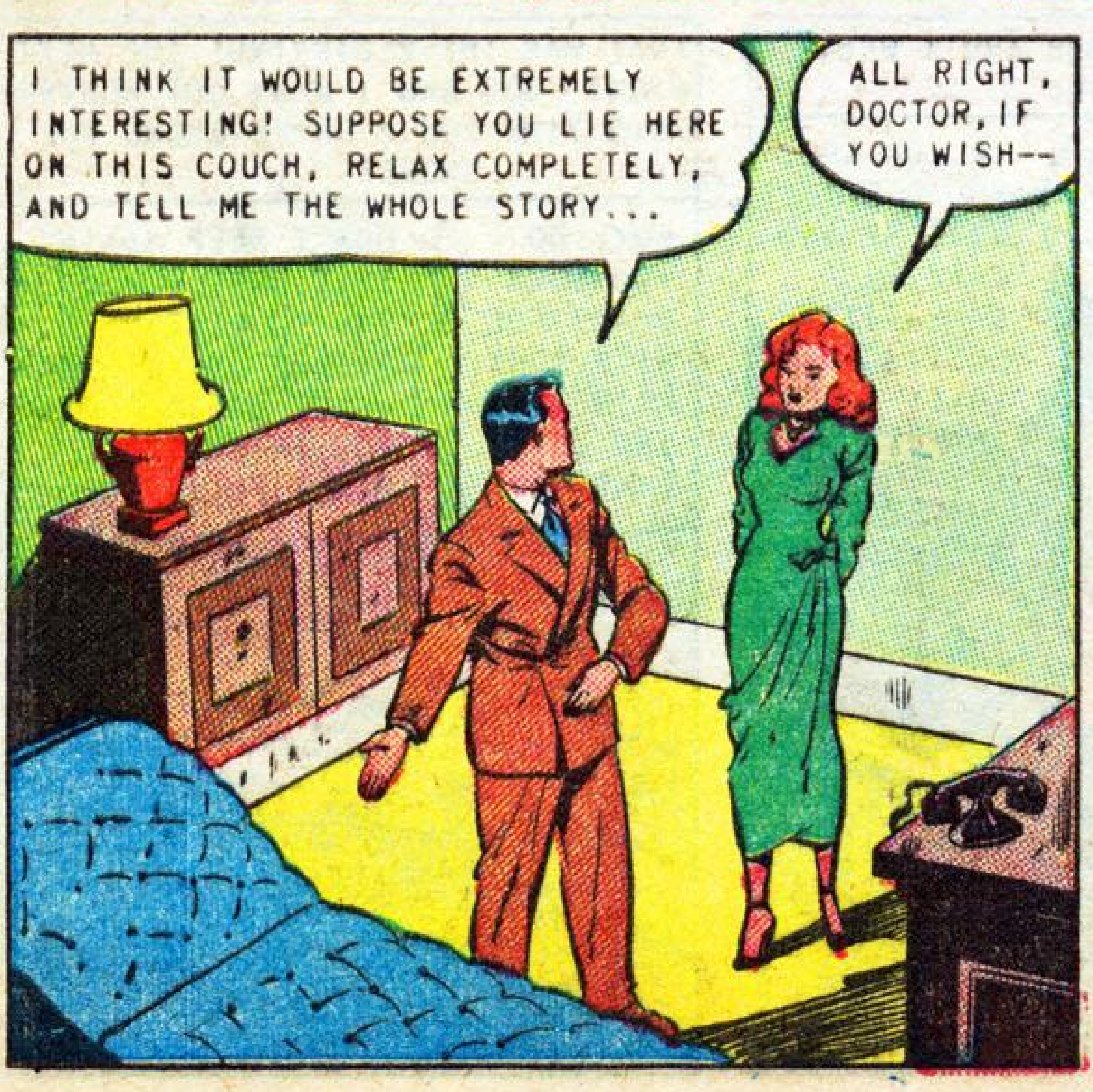

I LAUGHED AT MYSELF TO THINK THAT A PSYCHIATRIST WOULD CHANGE MY MIND! I MUST HAVE MY FACE MOULDED TO A DIFFERENT SHAPE! I WAS DETERMINED TO CHANGE THIS HARD-LUCK FACE OF MINE--THIS FACE THAT WAS TOO BEAUTIFUL FOR LOVE!

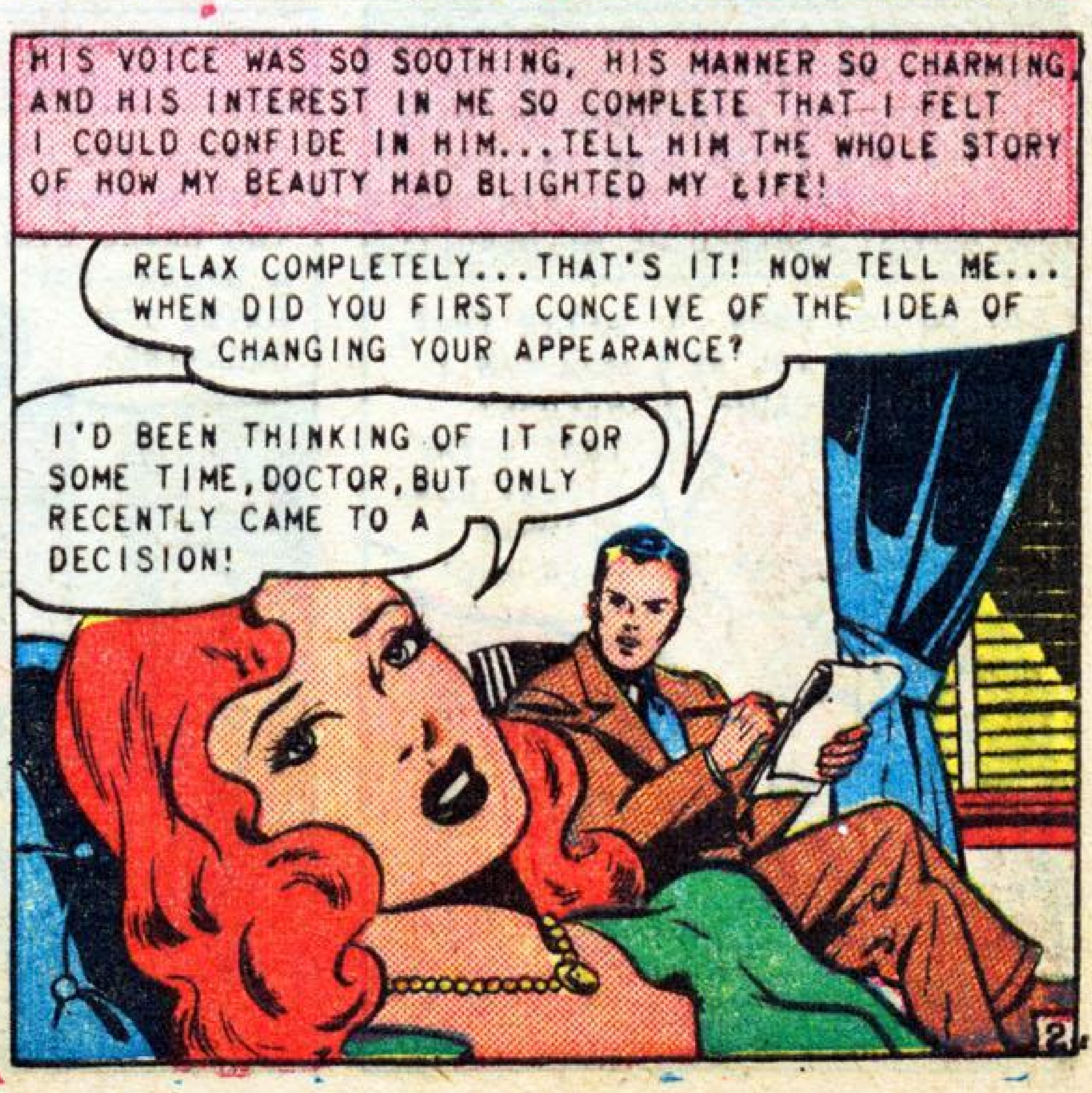

HERE WE ARE, LADY--THE PROFESSIONAL BUILDING!
THANK YOU...

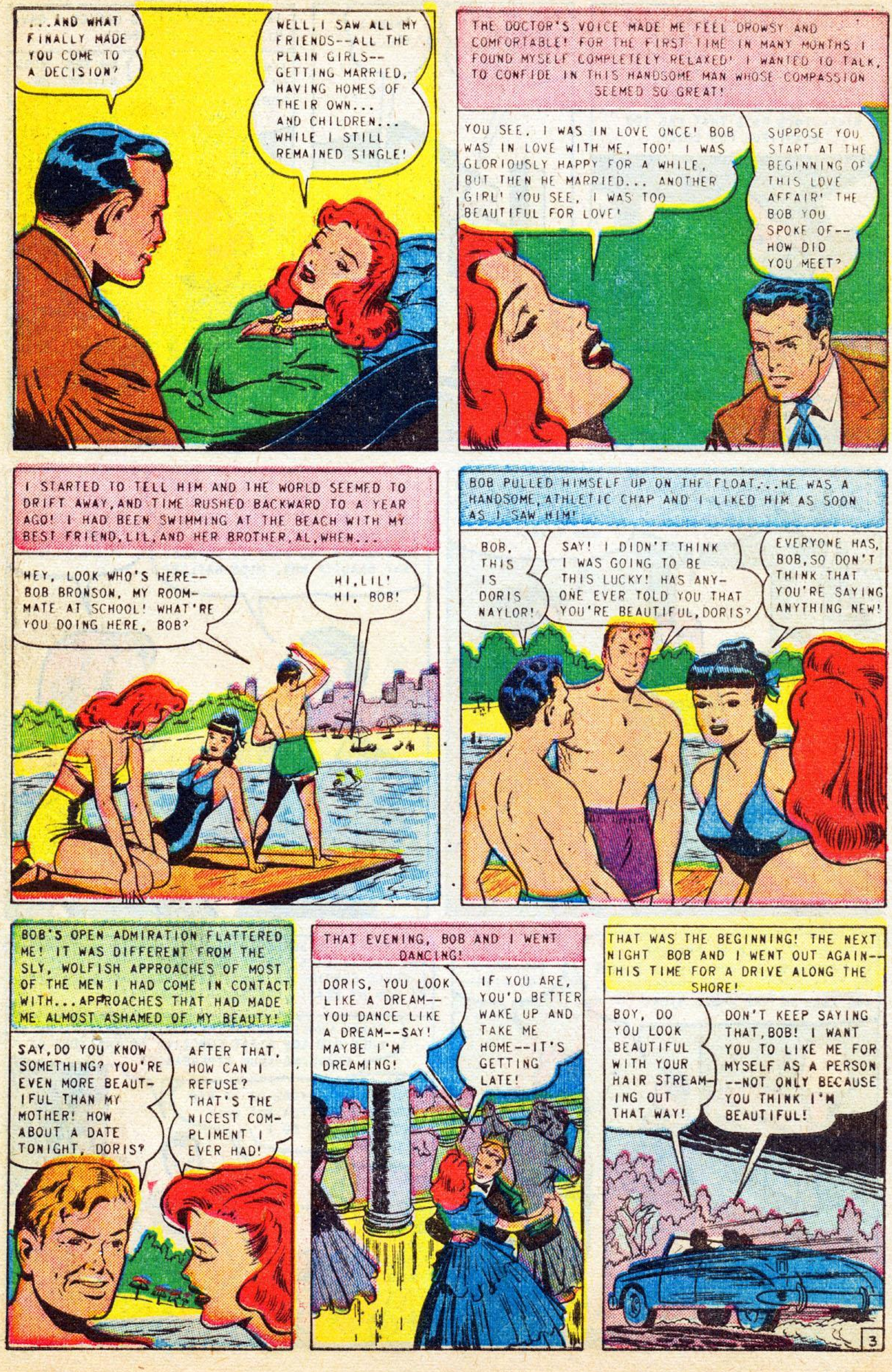

IN DR. MANSFIELD'S OFFICE I GAVE MY NAME TO HIS NURSE!
I'M DORIS NAYLOR--DR. CALVIN PHONED FOR AN APPOINTMENT FOR ME!
OH YES, MISS NAYLOR! DR. MANSFIELD WILL SEE YOU RIGHT AWAY...

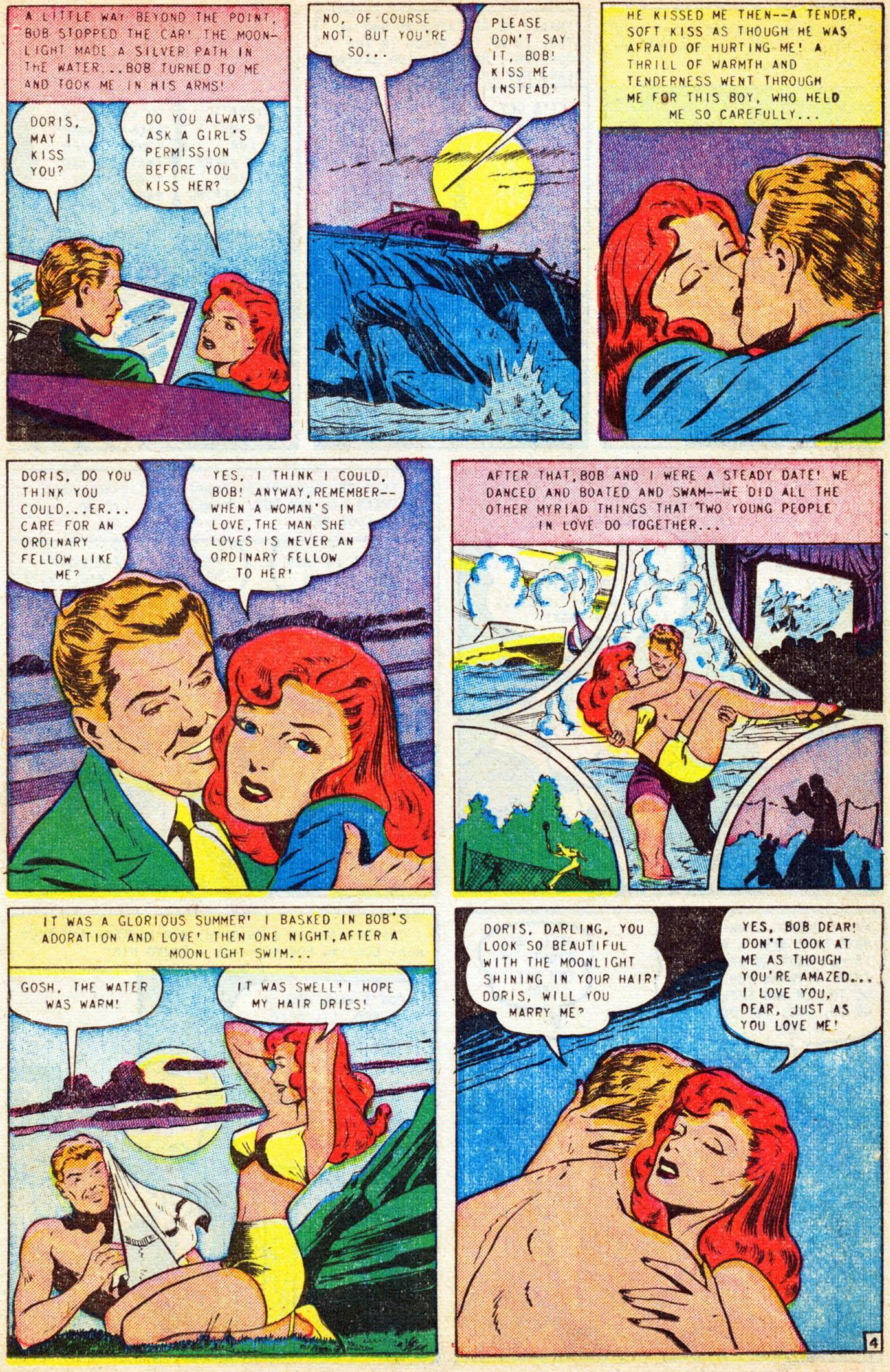

DOCTOR, THIS IS MISS NAYLOR!
THIS IS REALLY A WASTE OF TIME, DOCTOR!
I'VE BEEN EXPECTING YOU, MISS NAYLOR! PLEASE SIT DOWN, WON'T YOU?


NO, I DON'T THINK IT'S ANY WASTE OF TIME--NOT FOR ME, AT ANY RATE! A DOCTOR SELDOM SEES A GIRL AS BEAUTIFUL AS YOU! I UNDERSTAND YOU WANT TO CHANGE THAT BEAUTY! WHY, MISS NAYLOR?
IT'S A LONG STORY, DOCTOR, AND I DON'T THINK IT WOULD INTEREST YOU!

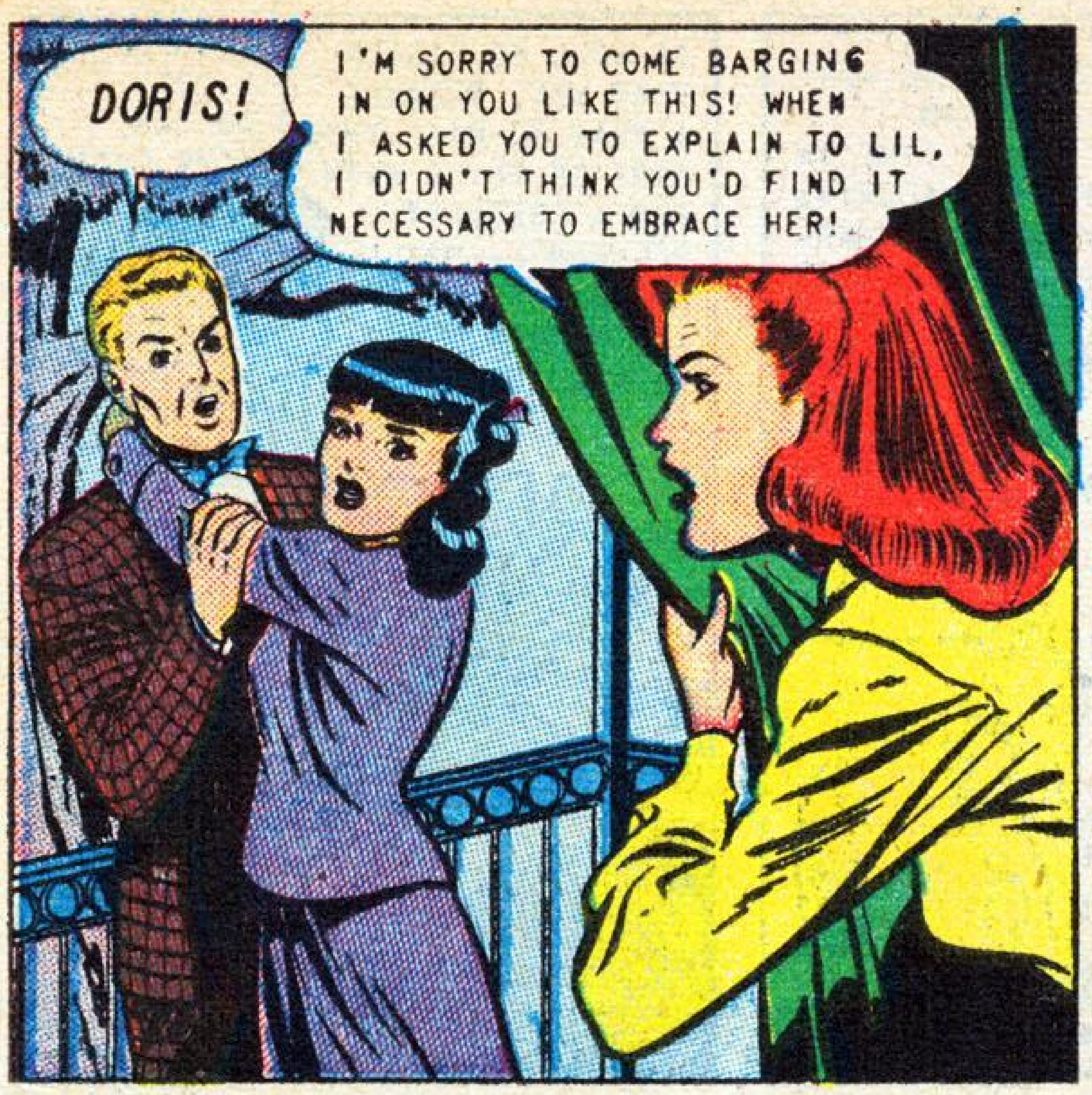

I THINK IT WOULD BE EXTREMELY INTERESTING! SUPPOSE YOU LIE HERE ON THIS COUCH, RELAX COMPLETELY, AND TELL ME THE WHOLE STORY...
ALL RIGHT, DOCTOR, IF YOU WISH--

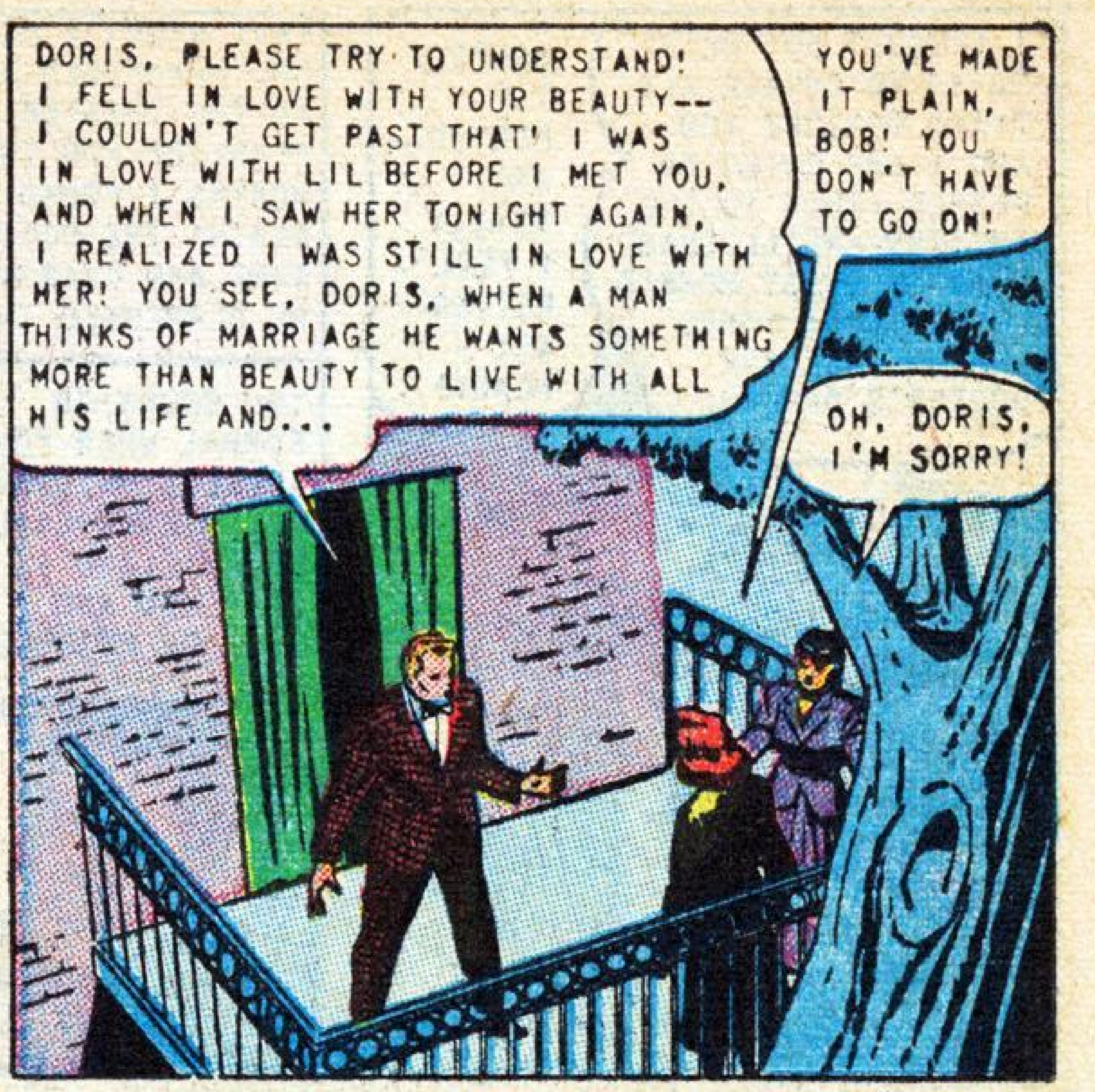

HIS VOICE WAS SO SOOTHING, HIS MANNER SO CHARMING, AND HIS INTEREST IN ME SO COMPLETE THAT I FELT I COULD CONFIDE IN HIM...TELL HIM THE WHOLE STORY OF HOW MY BEAUTY HAD BLIGHTED MY LIFE!
RELAX COMPLETELY...THAT'S IT! NOW TELL ME... WHEN DID YOU FIRST CONCEIVE OF THE IDEA OF CHANGING YOUR APPEARANCE?
I'D BEEN THINKING OF IT FOR SOME TIME, DOCTOR, BUT ONLY RECENTLY CAME TO A DECISION!

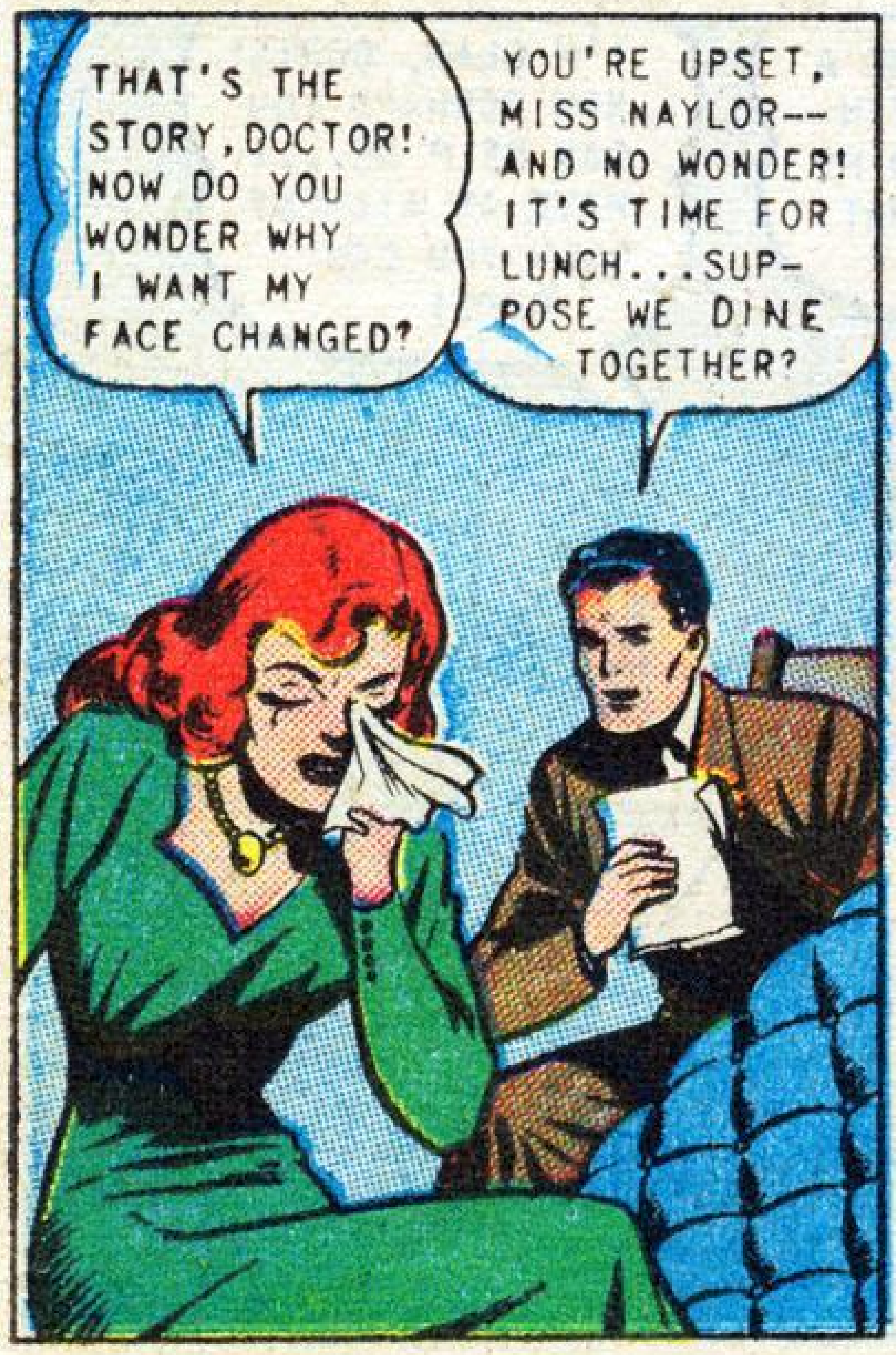

...AND WHAT FINALLY MADE YOU COME TO A DECISION?
WELL, I SAW ALL MY FRIENDS--ALL THE PLAIN GIRLS--GETTING MARRIED, HAVING HOMES OF THEIR OWN... AND CHILDREN... WHILE I STILL REMAINED SINGLE!
THE DOCTOR'S VOICE MADE ME FEEL DROWSY AND COMFORTABLE! FOR THE FIRST TIME IN MANY MONTHS I FOUND MYSELF COMPLETELY RELAXED! I WANTED TO TALK, TO CONFIDE IN THIS HANDSOME MAN WHOSE COMPASSION SEEMED SO GREAT!
YOU SEE, I WAS IN LOVE ONCE! BOB WAS IN LOVE WITH ME, TOO! I WAS GLORIOUSLY HAPPY FOR A WHILE, BUT THEN HE MARRIED... ANOTHER GIRL! YOU SEE, I WAS TOO BEAUTIFUL FOR LOVE!
SUPPOSE YOU START AT THE BEGINNING OF THIS LOVE AFFAIR! THE BOB YOU SPOKE OF--HOW DID YOU MEET?
I STARTED TO TELL HIM AND THE WORLD SEEMED TO DRIFT AWAY, AND TIME RUSHED BACKWARD TO A YEAR AGO! I HAD BEEN SWIMMING AT THE BEACH WITH MY BEST FRIEND, LIL, AND HER BROTHER, AL, WHEN...
HEY, LOOK WHO'S HERE--BOB BRONSON, MY ROOMMATE AT SCHOOL! WHAT'RE YOU DOING HERE, BOB?
HI, LIL! HI, BOB!
BOB PULLED HIMSELF UP ON THE FLOAT...HE WAS A HANDSOME, ATHLETIC CHAP AND I LIKED HIM AS SOON AS I SAW HIM!
BOB, THIS IS DORIS NAYLOR!
SAY! I DIDN'T THINK I WAS GOING TO BE THIS LUCKY! HAS ANYONE EVER TOLD YOU THAT YOU'RE BEAUTIFUL, DORIS?
EVERYONE HAS, BOB, SO DON'T THINK THAT YOU'RE SAYING ANYTHING NEW!
BOB'S OPEN ADMIRATION FLATTERED ME! IT WAS DIFFERENT FROM THE SLY, WOLFISH APPROACHES OF MOST OF THE MEN I HAD COME IN CONTACT WITH...APPROACHES THAT HAD MADE ME ALMOST ASHAMED OF MY BEAUTY!
SAY, DO YOU KNOW SOMETHING? YOU'RE EVEN MORE BEAUTIFUL THAN MY MOTHER! HOW ABOUT A DATE TONIGHT, DORIS?
AFTER THAT, HOW CAN I REFUSE? THAT'S THE NICEST COMPLIMENT I EVER HAD!
THAT EVENING, BOB AND I WENT DANCING!
DORIS, YOU LOOK LIKE A DREAM--YOU DANCE LIKE A DREAM--SAY! MAYBE I'M DREAMING!
IF YOU ARE, YOU'D BETTER WAKE UP AND TAKE ME HOME--IT'S GETTING LATE!
THAT WAS THE BEGINNING! THE NEXT NIGHT BOB AND I WENT OUT AGAIN--THIS TIME FOR A DRIVE ALONG THE SHORE!
BOY, DO YOU LOOK BEAUTIFUL WITH YOUR HAIR STREAMING OUT THAT WAY!
DON'T KEEP SAYING THAT, BOB! I WANT YOU TO LIKE ME FOR MYSELF AS A PERSON--NOT ONLY BECAUSE YOU THINK I'M BEAUTIFUL!

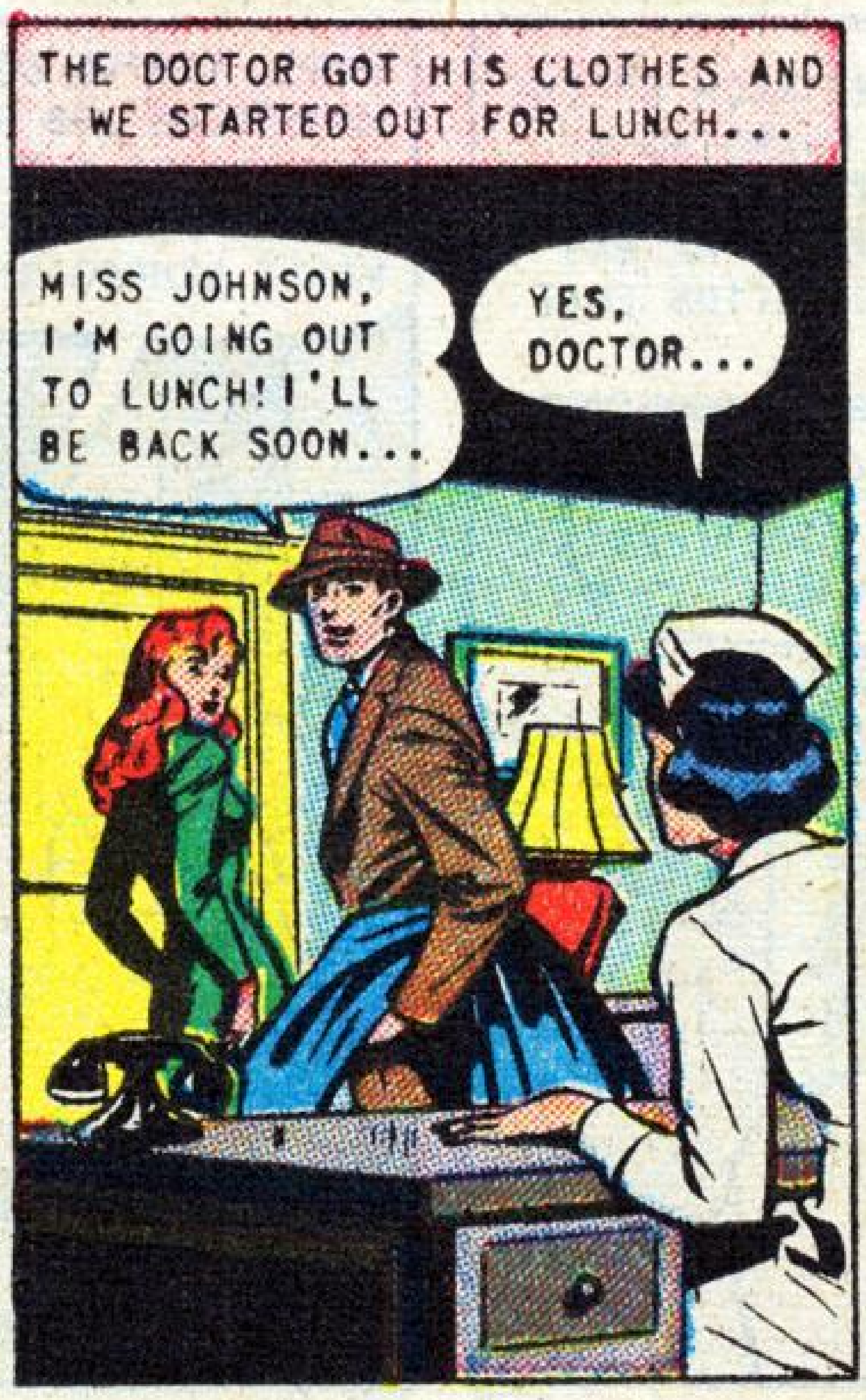

A LITTLE WAY BEYOND THE POINT, BOB STOPPED THE CAR! THE MOONLIGHT MADE A SILVER PATH IN THE WATER ...BOB TURNED TO ME AND TOOK ME IN HIS ARMS!
DORIS, MAY I KISS YOU?
DO YOU ALWAYS ASK A GIRL'S PERMISSION BEFORE YOU KISS HER?
NO, OF COURSE NOT, BUT YOU'RE SO...
PLEASE DON'T SAY IT, BOB! KISS ME INSTEAD!
HE KISSED ME THEN--A TENDER, SOFT KISS AS THOUGH HE WAS AFRAID OF HURTING ME! A THRILL OF WARMTH AND TENDERNESS WENT THROUGH ME FOR THIS BOY, WHO HELD ME SO CAREFULLY...
DORIS, DO YOU THINK YOU COULD...ER... CARE FOR AN ORDINARY FELLOW LIKE ME?
YES, I THINK I COULD, BOB! ANYWAY, REMEMBER-- WHEN A WOMAN'S IN LOVE, THE MAN SHE LOVES IS NEVER AN ORDINARY FELLOW TO HER!
AFTER THAT, BOB AND I WERE A STEADY DATE! WE DANCED AND BOATED AND SWAM--WE DID ALL THE OTHER MYRIAD THINGS THAT TWO YOUNG PEOPLE IN LOVE DO TOGETHER...
IT WAS A GLORIOUS SUMMER! I BASKED IN BOB'S ADORATION AND LOVE! THEN ONE NIGHT, AFTER A MOONLIGHT SWIM...
GOSH, THE WATER WAS WARM!
IT WAS SWELL! I HOPE MY HAIR DRIES!
DORIS, DARLING, YOU LOOK SO BEAUTIFUL WITH THE MOONLIGHT SHINING IN YOUR HAIR! DORIS, WILL YOU MARRY ME?
YES, BOB DEAR! DON'T LOOK AT ME AS THOUGH YOU'RE AMAZED... I LOVE YOU, DEAR, JUST AS YOU LOVE ME!

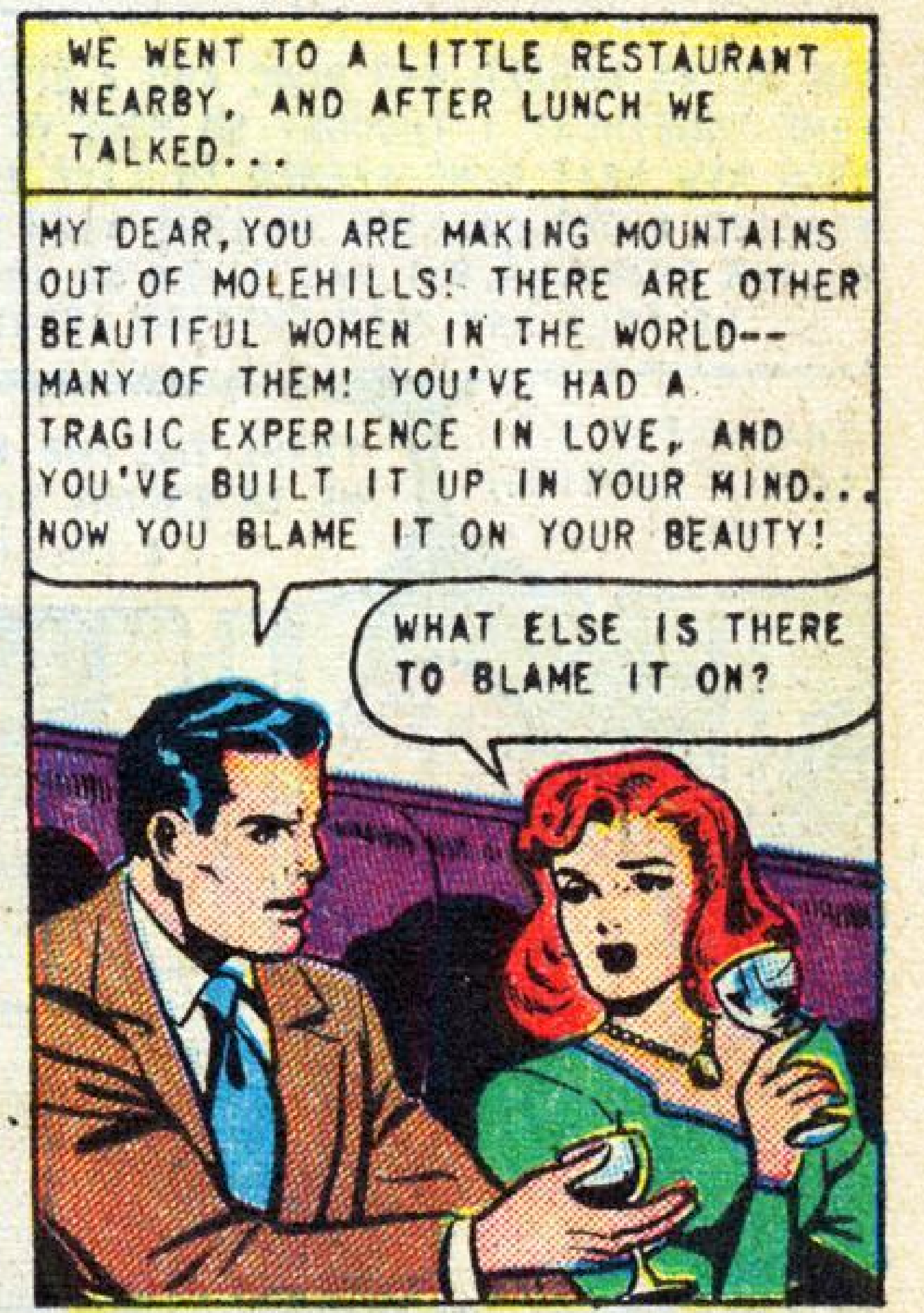
HE KISSED ME--FOR THE FIRST TIME AS THOUGH I WERE A WOMAN AND NOT A FRAGILE DOLL!
FINALLY HE RELEASED ME AND WE STROLLED UP THE BEACH IN THE MOONLIGHT, HAND IN HAND, MAKING PLANS FOR THE FUTURE!
LET'S GET MARRIED SOON, DARLING! I CAN'T WAIT TO SEE THE FELLOWS' FACES WHEN THEY KNOW WE ARE GOING TO BE MARRIED!
WHENEVER YOU SAY, DEAR-- ONLY I MUST HAVE TIME TO GET SOME CLOTHES AND THINGS, YOU KNOW!
THE WEEKS PASSED AND WE WERE DEEP IN PREPARATION FOR OUR COMING MARRIAGE! THEN ONE NIGHT AT A FRIEND'S HOUSE WE MET LIL AGAIN--
I HAVEN'T SEEN YOU TWO FOR AGES! WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN KEEPING YOURSELVES?
OH, LIL, WE'VE BEEN SO BUSY! YOU'VE HEARD THAT BOB AND I ARE TO BE MARRIED, HAVEN'T YOU?
NO, I HADN'T! I'VE BEEN AWAY TO AUNT EDNA'S, YOU KNOW! I CERTAINLY WISH YOU ALL THE BEST!
THANKS, LIL! I...ER ...MEANT TO TELL YOU...ER...WRITE YOU...BUT I...WELL... I'VE BEEN BUSY!
I FELT THE CURRENT OF SOMETHING STRANGE PASS BETWEEN LIL AND BOB...SOMETHING I HAD NO KNOWLEDGE OF!
BOB, WHAT IS THIS BETWEEN YOU AND LIL?
WHY DORIS, I THOUGHT YOU KNEW! LIL AND I WERE SORT OF...WELL... ENGAGED, TILL I MET YOU!
NO, I DIDN'T KNOW! IT MUST HAVE BEEN A BLOW TO HER GETTING NEWS LIKE THIS! I THINK YOU SHOULD GO TO HER AND EXPLAIN-- GO ON, BOB, YOU OWE IT TO HER!
WELL, ALL RIGHT, IF YOU SAY SO!
I CHATTED AWHILE WITH BETH, OUR HOSTESS, AND THEN WENT LOOKING FOR BOB--AND I FOUND HIM!
I DON'T KNOW HOW IT HAPPENED, LIL DEAR... SHE'S SO BEAUTIFUL-- I JUST FORGOT ABOUT EVERYTHING ELSE!
OH, BOB, HOW COULD YOU!

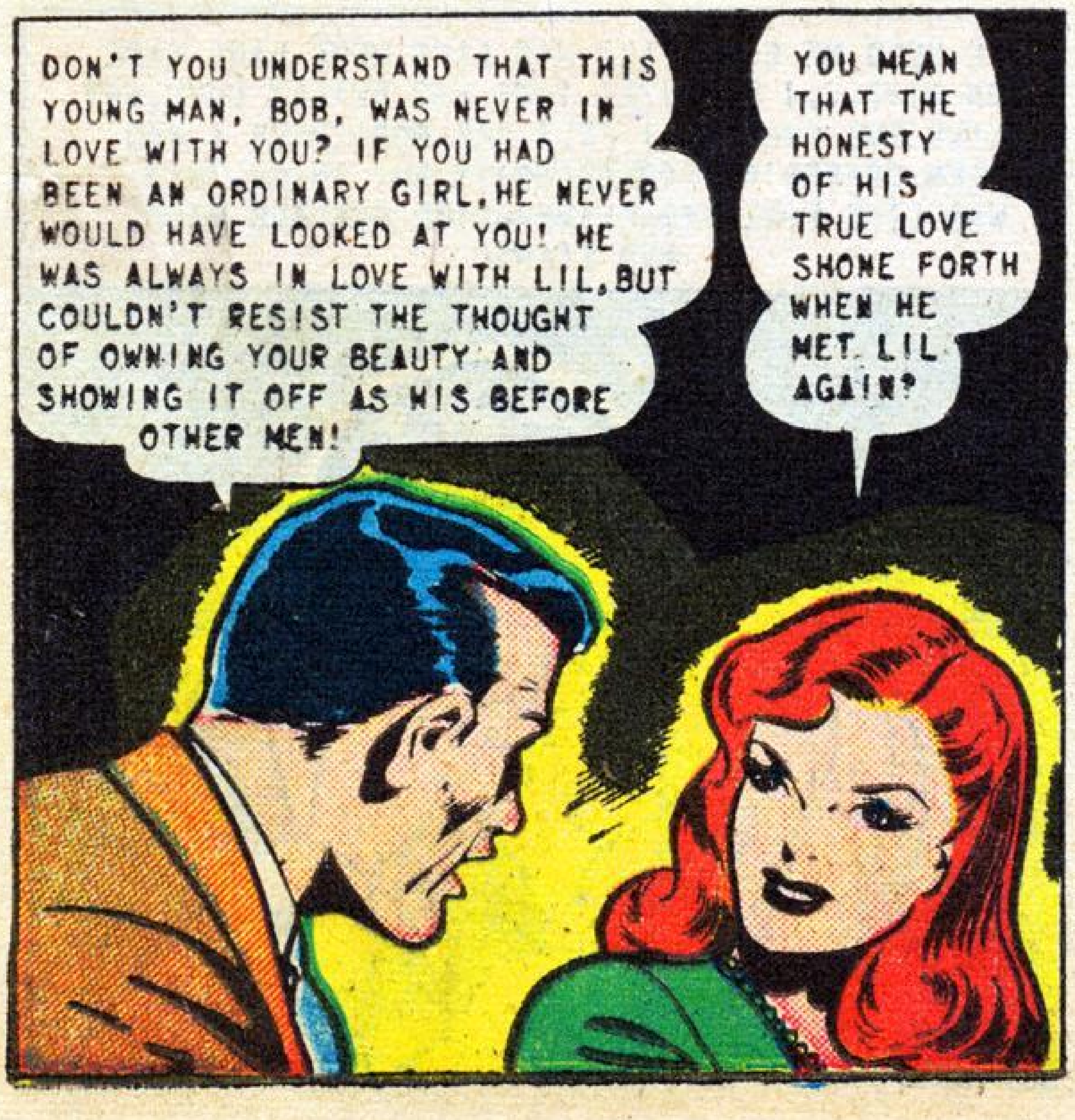

DORIS!
I'M SORRY TO COME BARGING IN ON YOU LIKE THIS! WHEN I ASKED YOU TO EXPLAIN TO LIL, I DIDN'T THINK YOU'D FIND IT NECESSARY TO EMBRACE HER!

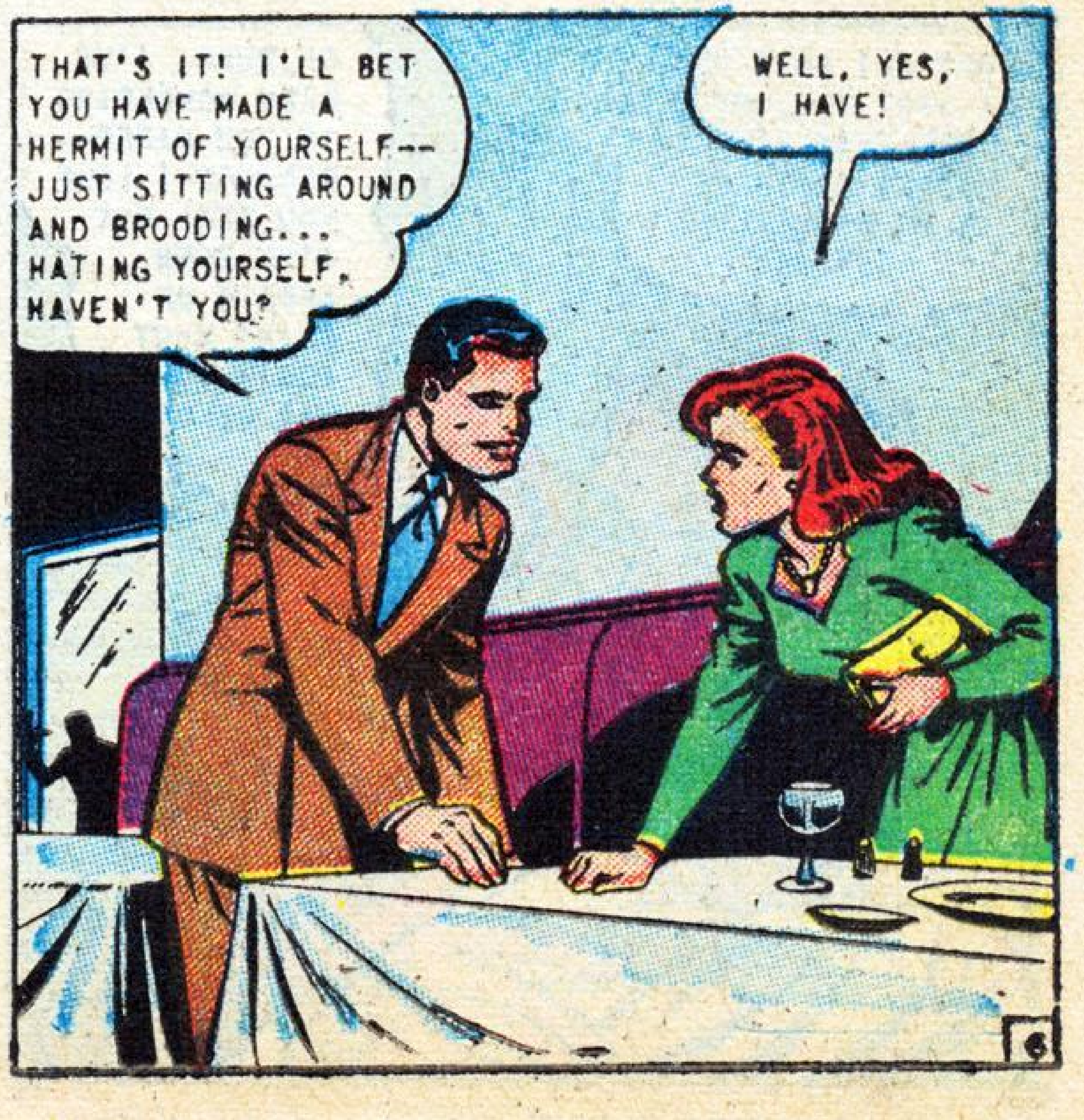

DORIS, PLEASE TRY TO UNDERSTAND! I FELL IN LOVE WITH YOUR BEAUTY-- I COULDN'T GET PAST THAT! I WAS IN LOVE WITH LIL BEFORE I MET YOU, AND WHEN I SAW HER TONIGHT AGAIN, I REALIZED I WAS STILL IN LOVE WITH HER! YOU SEE, DORIS, WHEN A MAN THINKS OF MARRIAGE HE WANTS SOMETHING MORE THAN BEAUTY TO LIVE WITH ALL HIS LIFE AND...
YOU'VE MADE IT PLAIN, BOB! YOU DON'T HAVE TO GO ON!
OH, DORIS, I'M SORRY!

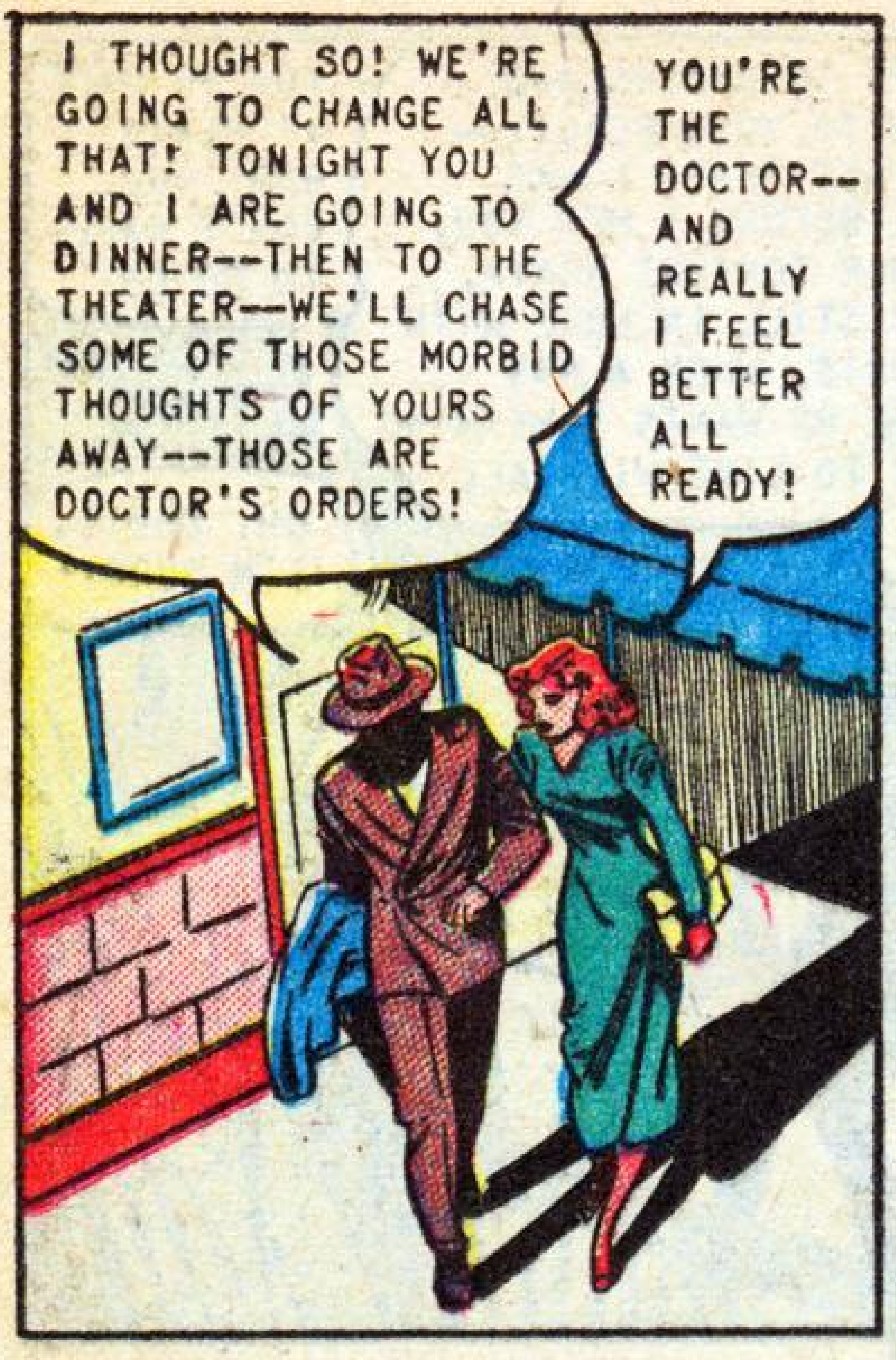

THAT'S THE STORY, DOCTOR! NOW DO YOU WONDER WHY I WANT MY FACE CHANGED?
YOU'RE UPSET, MISS NAYLOR-- AND NO WONDER! IT'S TIME FOR LUNCH...SUPPOSE WE DINE TOGETHER?

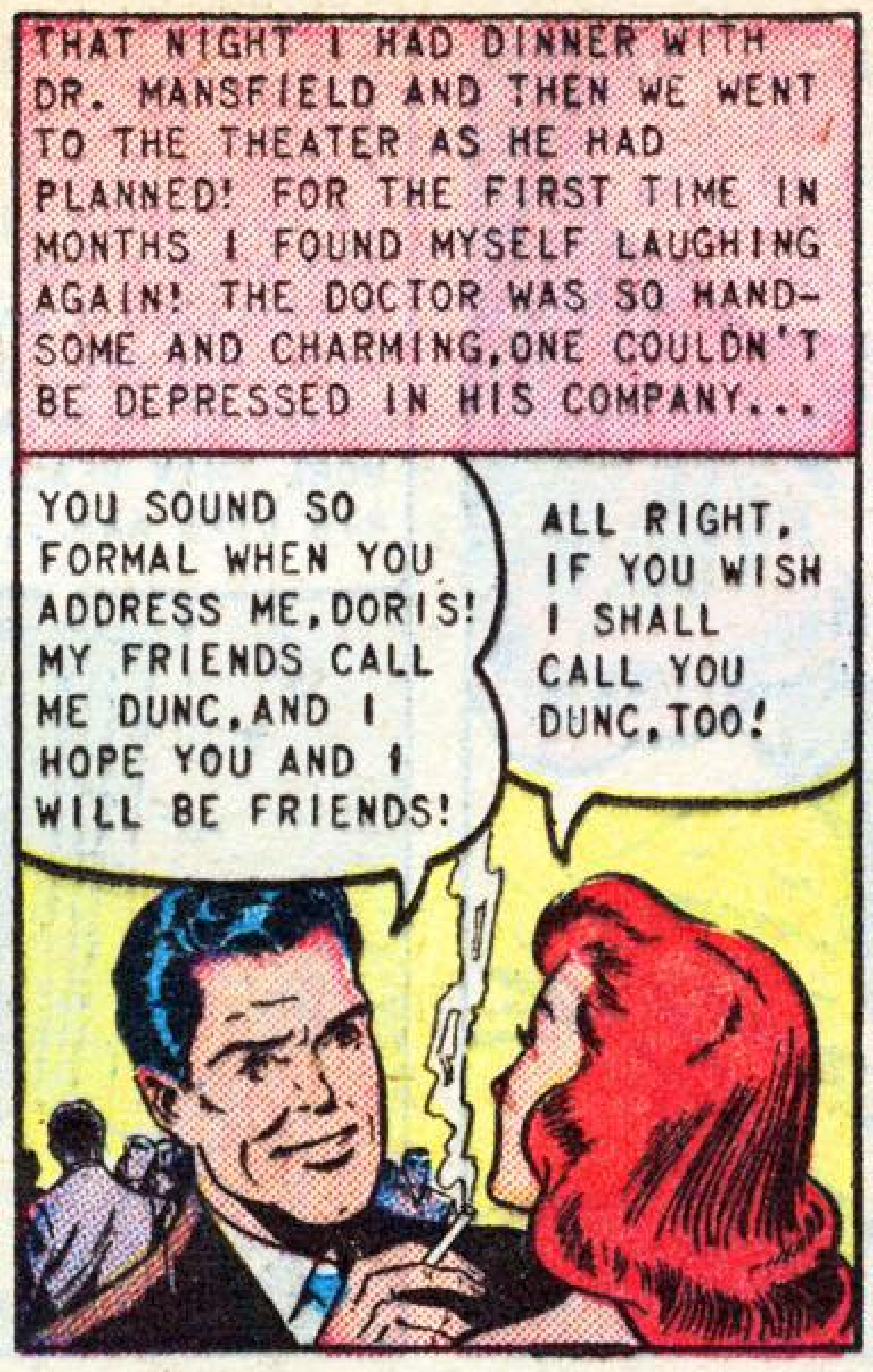

THE DOCTOR GOT HIS CLOTHES AND WE STARTED OUT FOR LUNCH...
MISS JOHNSON, I'M GOING OUT TO LUNCH! I'LL BE BACK SOON...
YES, DOCTOR...

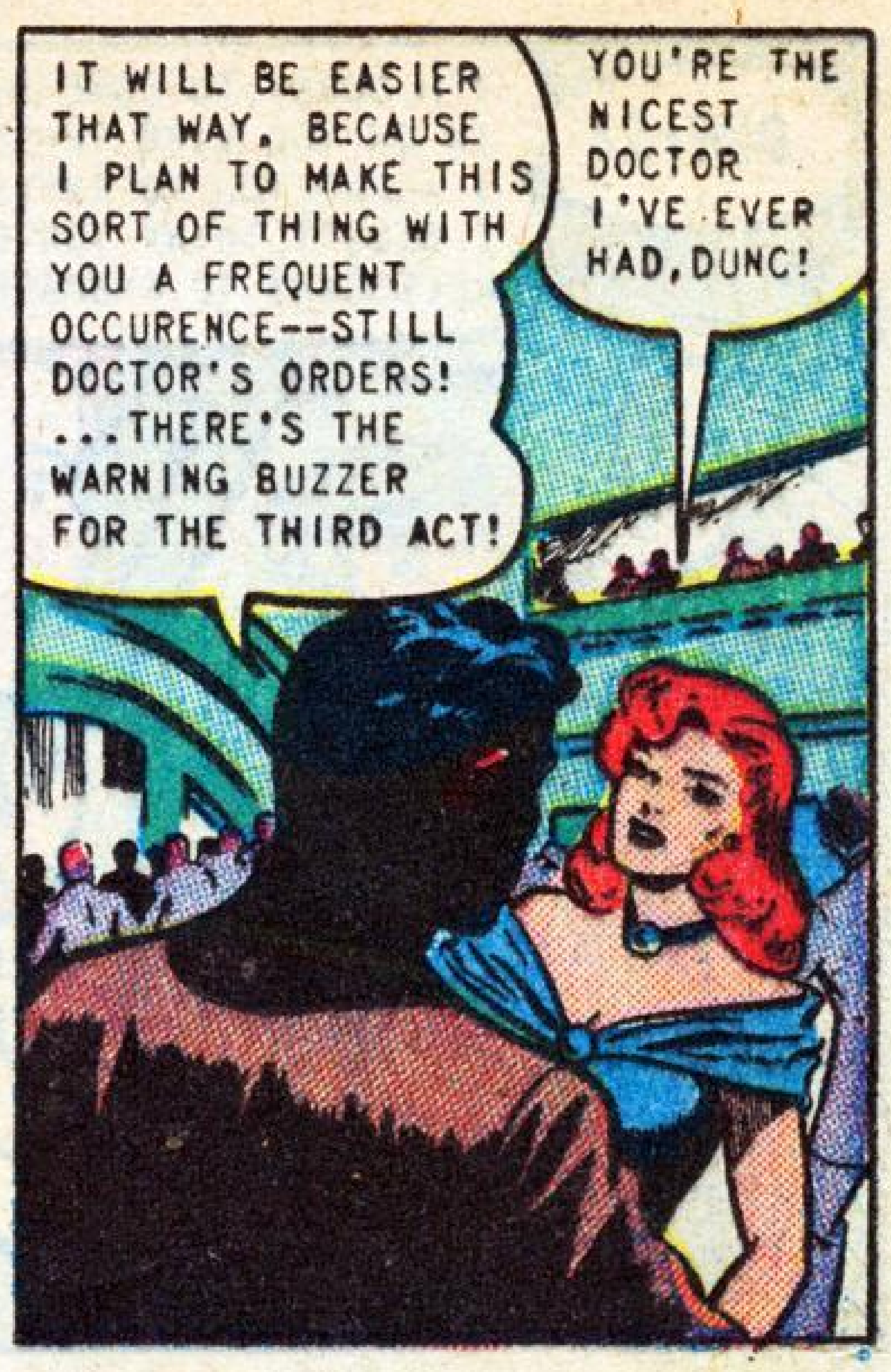

WE WENT TO A LITTLE RESTAURANT NEARBY, AND AFTER LUNCH WE TALKED...
MY DEAR, YOU ARE MAKING MOUNTAINS OUT OF MOLEHILLS! THERE ARE OTHER BEAUTIFUL WOMEN IN THE WORLD-- MANY OF THEM! YOU'VE HAD A TRAGIC EXPERIENCE IN LOVE, AND YOU'VE BUILT IT UP IN YOUR MIND... NOW YOU BLAME IT ON YOUR BEAUTY!
WHAT ELSE IS THERE TO BLAME IT ON?

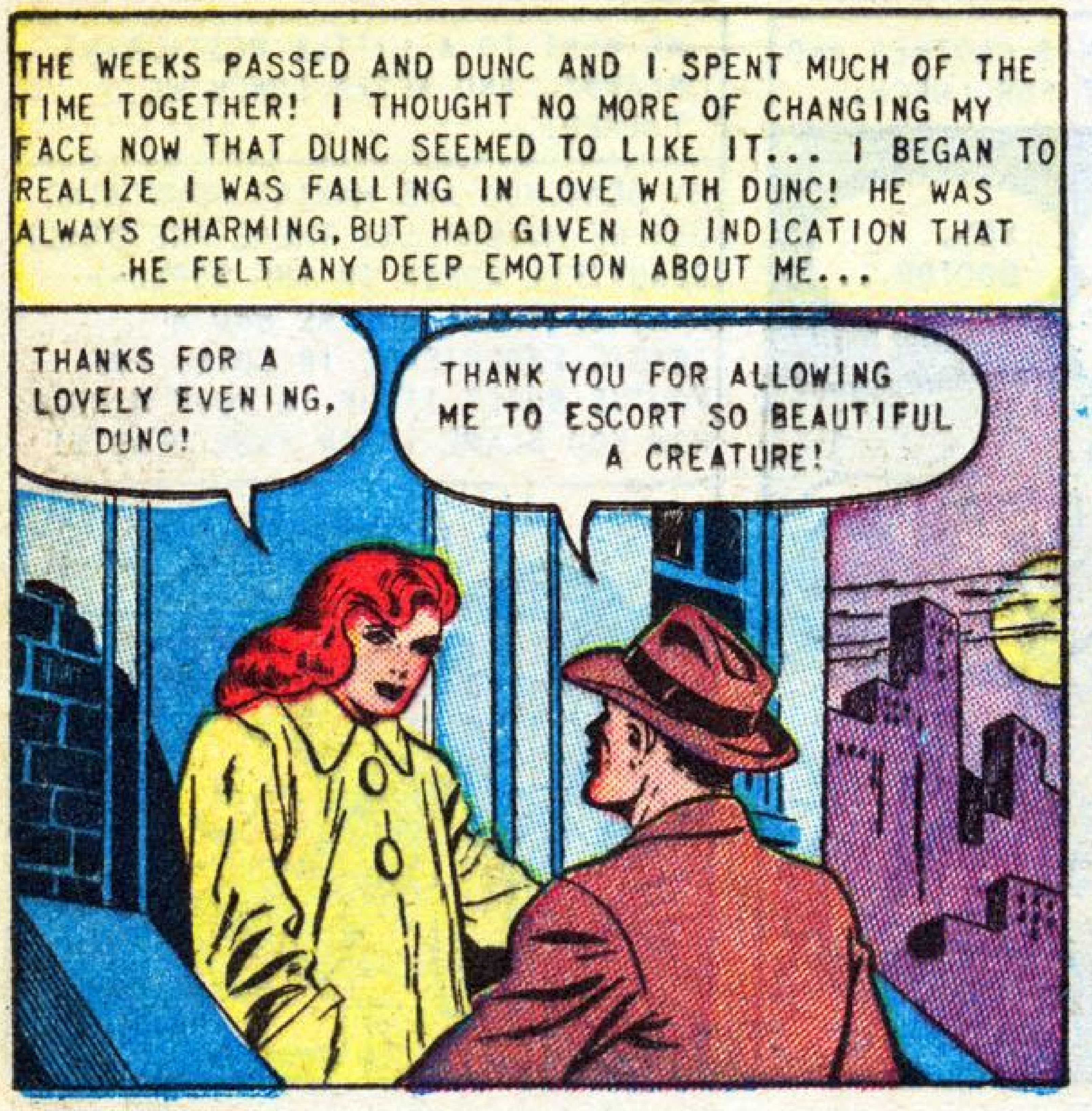

DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND THAT THIS YOUNG MAN, BOB, WAS NEVER IN LOVE WITH YOU? IF YOU HAD BEEN AN ORDINARY GIRL, HE NEVER WOULD HAVE LOOKED AT YOU! HE WAS ALWAYS IN LOVE WITH LIL, BUT COULDN'T RESIST THE THOUGHT OF OWNING YOUR BEAUTY AND SHOWING IT OFF AS HIS BEFORE OTHER MEN!
YOU MEAN THAT THE HONESTY OF HIS TRUE LOVE SHONE FORTH WHEN HE MET LIL AGAIN?

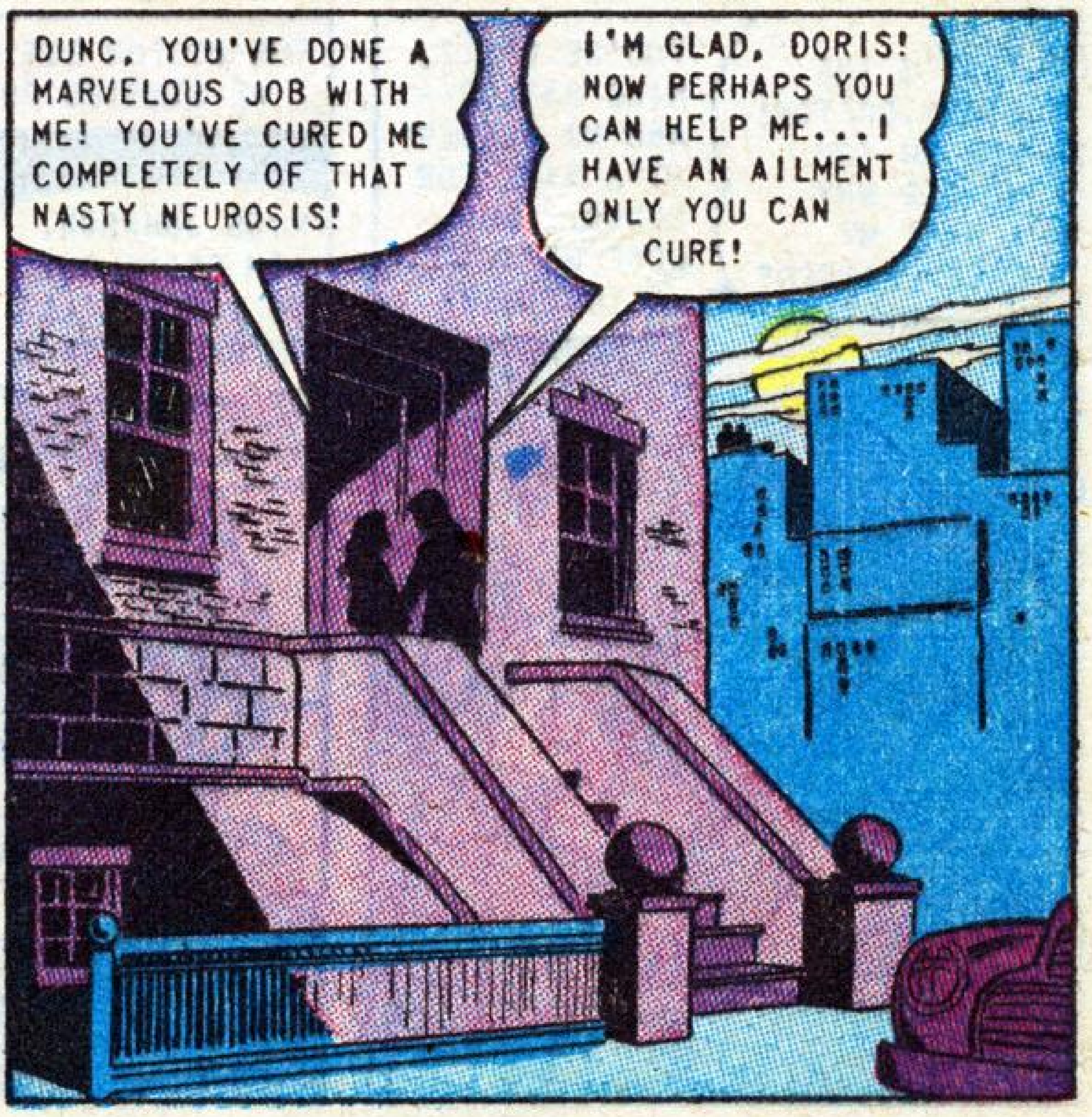

THAT'S IT! I'LL BET YOU HAVE MADE A HERMIT OF YOURSELF-- JUST SITTING AROUND AND BROODING... HATING YOURSELF, HAVEN'T YOU?
WELL, YES, I HAVE!

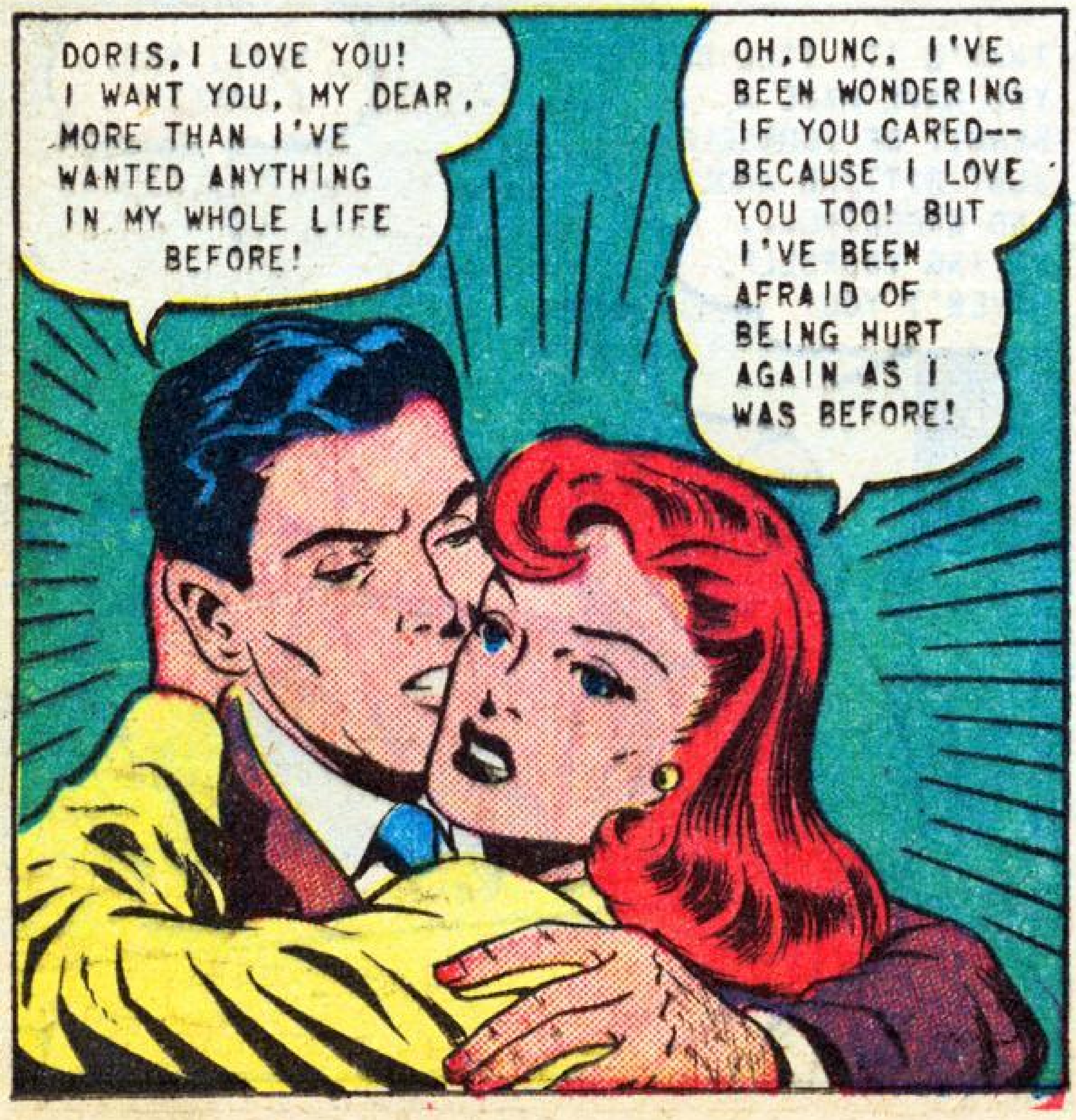

I THOUGHT SO! WE'RE GOING TO CHANGE ALL THAT! TONIGHT YOU AND I ARE GOING TO DINNER--THEN TO THE THEATER--WE'LL CHASE SOME OF THOSE MORBID THOUGHTS OF YOURS AWAY--THOSE ARE DOCTOR'S ORDERS!
YOU'RE THE DOCTOR--AND REALLY I FEEL BETTER ALL READY!

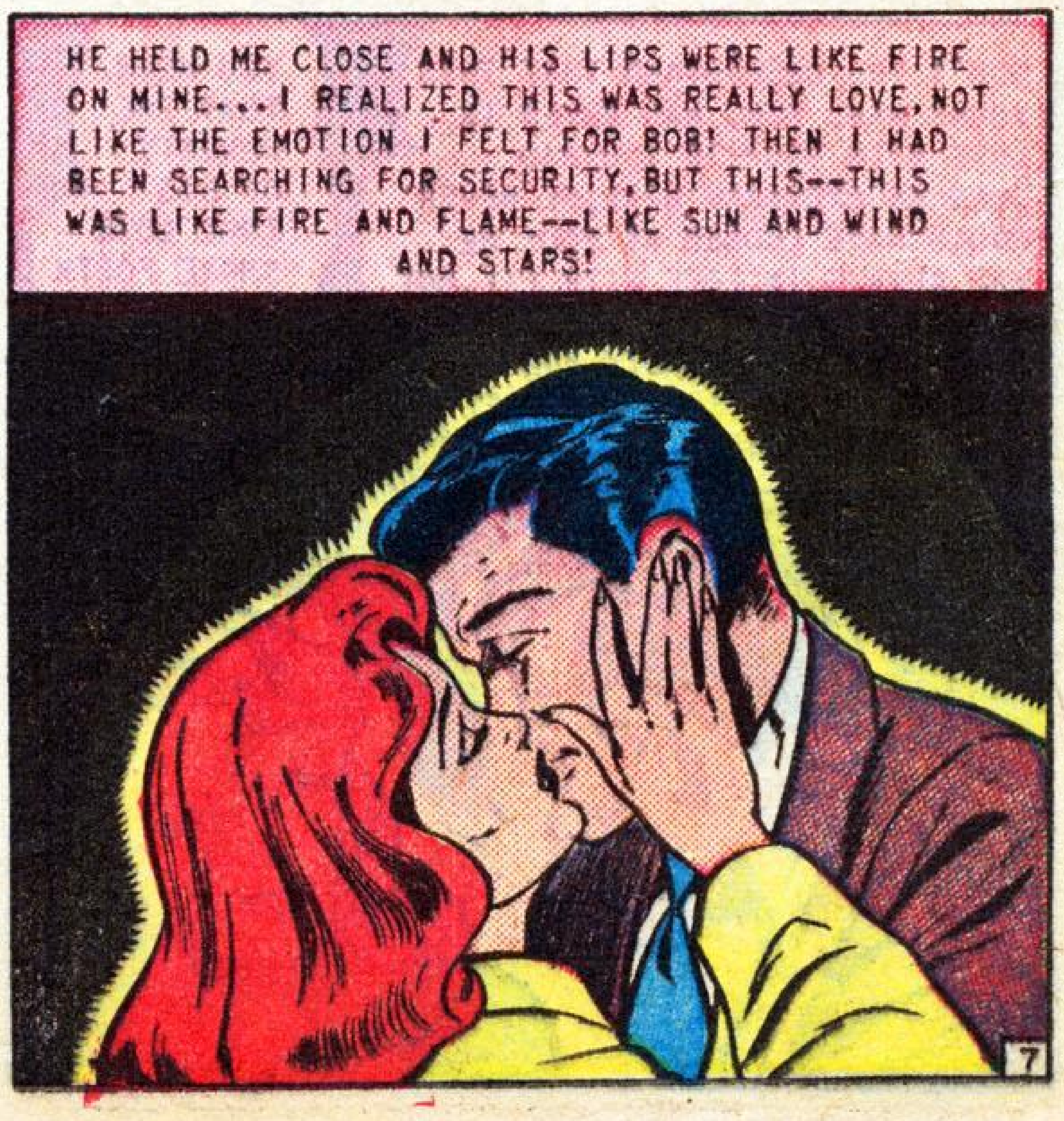

THAT NIGHT I HAD DINNER WITH DR. MANSFIELD AND THEN WE WENT TO THE THEATER AS HE HAD PLANNED! FOR THE FIRST TIME IN MONTHS I FOUND MYSELF LAUGHING AGAIN! THE DOCTOR WAS SO HANDSOME AND CHARMING, ONE COULDN'T BE DEPRESSED IN HIS COMPANY...
YOU SOUND SO FORMAL WHEN YOU ADDRESS ME, DORIS! MY FRIENDS CALL ME DUNC, AND I HOPE YOU AND I WILL BE FRIENDS!
ALL RIGHT, IF YOU WISH I SHALL CALL YOU DUNC, TOO!


IT WILL BE EASIER THAT WAY, BECAUSE I PLAN TO MAKE THIS SORT OF THING WITH YOU A FREQUENT OCCURENCE--STILL DOCTOR'S ORDERS! ...THERE'S THE WARNING BUZZER FOR THE THIRD ACT!
YOU'RE THE NICEST DOCTOR I'VE EVER HAD, DUNC!

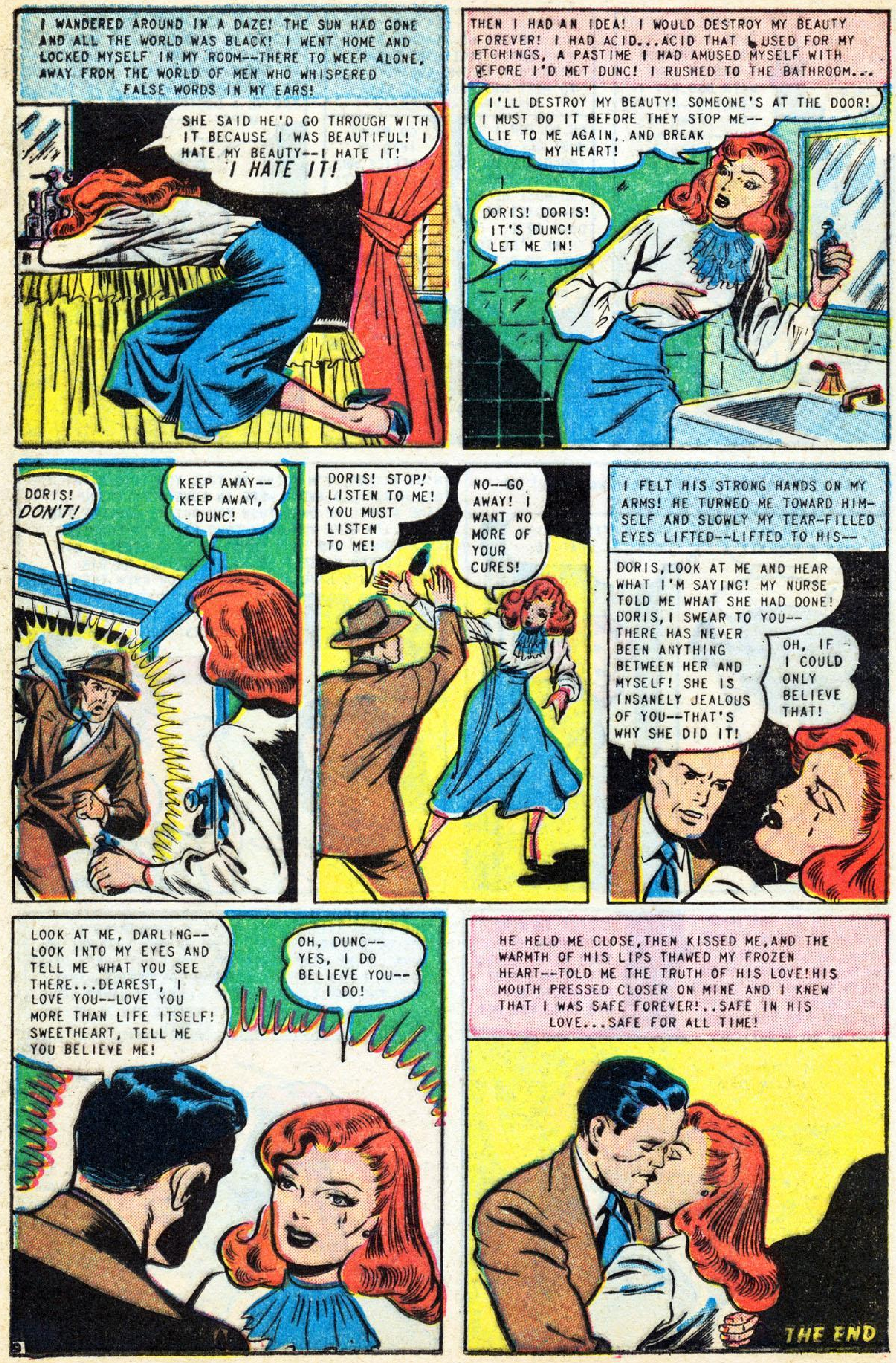

THE WEEKS PASSED AND DUNC AND I SPENT MUCH OF THE TIME TOGETHER! I THOUGHT NO MORE OF CHANGING MY FACE NOW THAT DUNC SEEMED TO LIKE IT... I BEGAN TO REALIZE I WAS FALLING IN LOVE WITH DUNC! HE WAS ALWAYS CHARMING, BUT HAD GIVEN NO INDICATION THAT HE FELT ANY DEEP EMOTION ABOUT ME...
THANKS FOR A LOVELY EVENING, DUNC!
THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO ESCORT SO BEAUTIFUL A CREATURE!


DUNC, YOU'VE DONE A MARVELOUS JOB WITH ME! YOU'VE CURED ME COMPLETELY OF THAT NASTY NEUROSIS!
I'M GLAD, DORIS! NOW PERHAPS YOU CAN HELP ME...I HAVE AN AILMENT ONLY YOU CAN CURE!


DORIS, I LOVE YOU! I WANT YOU, MY DEAR, MORE THAN I'VE WANTED ANYTHING IN MY WHOLE LIFE BEFORE!
OH, DUNC, I'VE BEEN WONDERING IF YOU CARED--BECAUSE I LOVE YOU TOO! BUT I'VE BEEN AFRAID OF BEING HURT AGAIN AS I WAS BEFORE!


HE HELD ME CLOSE AND HIS LIPS WERE LIKE FIRE ON MINE...I REALIZED THIS WAS REALLY LOVE, NOT LIKE THE EMOTION I FELT FOR BOB! THEN I HAD BEEN SEARCHING FOR SECURITY, BUT THIS--THIS WAS LIKE FIRE AND FLAME--LIKE SUN AND WIND AND STARS!

DARLING, I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR THIS MOMENT FOR A LONG TIME!
SO HAVE I, DUNC! DUNC, I MUST TELL YOU--I THOUGHT I WAS IN LOVE WITH BOB, BUT I REALIZE--NOW THE REAL THING HAS COME--THAT WHAT I FELT FOR BOB WAS A LIKING AND A TENDERNESS, NOT LOVE!
THE NEXT DAY I MET DUNC AT HIS OFFICE! WE PLANNED TO HAVE LUNCH TOGETHER, THEN MOTOR OUT TO THE ISLAND TO MEET HIS FOLKS! WE WERE JUST LEAVING, WHEN...
OH, DOCTOR, I MUST SEE YOU IMMEDIATELY! I'M SO UPSET--YOU MUST HELP ME--QUIET ME DOWN OR I THINK I'LL GO MAD! OH DEAR, THAT HUSBAND OF MINE!
GO RIGHT INTO MY OFFICE, MRS. PENNICOTT! I'LL BE IN--IN A MOMENT!
DARLING, YOU MUST EXCUSE ME A MOMENT... THIS IS THE SORT OF THING YOU'LL HAVE TO GET USED TO WHEN YOU'RE A DOCTOR'S WIFE!
GO AHEAD, DARLING--I'LL WAIT IN THE CAR!
DUNC WENT TO HIS PATIENT, AND I WAS ABOUT TO LEAVE WHEN...
MISS NAYLOR, MAY I HAVE A MOMENT?
WHY CERTAINLY, MISS JOHNSON! WHAT IS IT?
MISS NAYLOR, I'M GOING TO TELL YOU THIS STRAIGHT--DR. MANSFIELD AND I WERE IN LOVE BEFORE YOU CAME ALONG! HE ONLY TOOK YOU OUT AS PART OF THE CURE...TO GIVE YOU BACK YOUR FAITH IN YOURSELF AS A WOMAN, AND YOUR FAITH IN YOUR BEAUTY! NOW HE'S GOTTEN HIMSELF SO INVOLVED THAT HE WAS AFRAID YOU'D HAVE A RELAPSE IF YOU KNEW THE TRUTH!
I DON'T THINK I QUITE UNDERSTAND!
WELL, TO BE BRUTALLY FRANK, HE DOESN'T LOVE YOU...HE LOVES ME! HE'LL GO THROUGH WITH THIS BECAUSE HE THINKS IT HIS DUTY TO DO SO! IT WOULD BE TOO HARD--YOU'RE SO BEAUTIFUL, BUT HE REALLY LOVES ME... NOT YOU! I THINK IT'S ONLY FAIR TO BOTH OF US TO TELL YOU THIS!
I SEE! THEN HE LIED WHEN HE TOLD ME HE LOVED ME! IT WAS JUST HIS MEDICINE--HIS CURE FOR ME!
THE NURSE SAID SOMETHING ELSE, SOMETHING I COULDN'T HEAR! THE NOISE OF MY WORLD CRUMBLING DOWN, OF MY HEART BREAKING, SHUT OUT EVERY OTHER SOUND! I RAN THEN--AWAY FROM THE OFFICE--AWAY FROM THE MAN I LOVED SO DESPERATELY--AWAY FROM HIS CURES...MEDICINES THAT HEALED THE HEAD AND POISONED THE HEART!


I WANDERED AROUND IN A DAZE! THE SUN HAD GONE AND ALL THE WORLD WAS BLACK! I WENT HOME AND LOCKED MYSELF IN MY ROOM--THERE TO WEEP ALONE, AWAY FROM THE WORLD OF MEN WHO WHISPERED FALSE WORDS IN MY EARS!
SHE SAID HE'D GO THROUGH WITH IT BECAUSE I WAS BEAUTIFUL! I HATE MY BEAUTY--I HATE IT! I HATE IT!
THEN I HAD AN IDEA! I WOULD DESTROY MY BEAUTY FOREVER! I HAD ACID...ACID THAT I USED FOR MY ETCHINGS, A PASTIME I HAD AMUSED MYSELF WITH BEFORE I'D MET DUNC! I RUSHED TO THE BATHROOM...
I'LL DESTROY MY BEAUTY! SOMEONE'S AT THE DOOR! I MUST DO IT BEFORE THEY STOP ME--LIE TO ME AGAIN, AND BREAK MY HEART!
DORIS! DORIS! IT'S DUNC! LET ME IN!
DORIS! DON'T!
KEEP AWAY--KEEP AWAY, DUNC!
DORIS! STOP! LISTEN TO ME! YOU MUST LISTEN TO ME!
NO--GO AWAY! I WANT NO MORE OF YOUR CURES!
I FELT HIS STRONG HANDS ON MY ARMS! HE TURNED ME TOWARD HIMSELF AND SLOWLY MY TEAR-FILLED EYES LIFTED--LIFTED TO HIS--
DORIS, LOOK AT ME AND HEAR WHAT I'M SAYING! MY NURSE TOLD ME WHAT SHE HAD DONE! DORIS, I SWEAR TO YOU--THERE HAS NEVER BEEN ANYTHING BETWEEN HER AND MYSELF! SHE IS INSANELY JEALOUS OF YOU--THAT'S WHY SHE DID IT!
OH, IF I COULD ONLY BELIEVE THAT!
LOOK AT ME, DARLING--LOOK INTO MY EYES AND TELL ME WHAT YOU SEE THERE...DEAREST, I LOVE YOU--LOVE YOU MORE THAN LIFE ITSELF! SWEETHEART, TELL ME YOU BELIEVE ME!
OH, DUNC--YES, I DO BELIEVE YOU--I DO!
HE HELD ME CLOSE, THEN KISSED ME, AND THE WARMTH OF HIS LIPS THAWED MY FROZEN HEART--TOLD ME THE TRUTH OF HIS LOVE! HIS MOUTH PRESSED CLOSER ON MINE AND I KNEW THAT I WAS SAFE FOREVER!..SAFE IN HIS LOVE...SAFE FOR ALL TIME!
THE END

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"I WAS ASHAMED OF MY FACE

until Viderm made my dreams of a clearer skin come true in one short week"

(FROM A LETTER TO BETTY MEMPHIS SENT HER BY ETHEL JORDAN, DETROIT, MICH.)

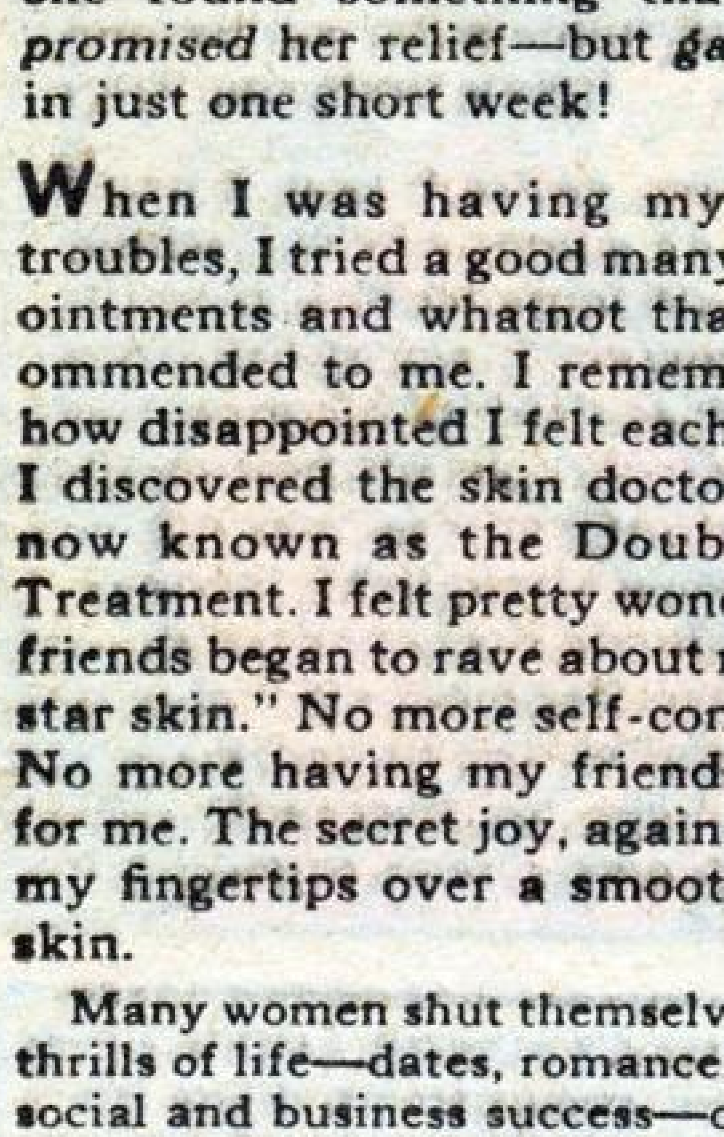
If your face is broken out, if bad skin is making you miserable, here is how to stop worrying about pimples, blackheads and other externally caused skin troubles.

JUST FOLLOW SKIN DOCTOR'S SIMPLE DIRECTIONS

"I just want to be alone!" Is there anything more awful than the blues that come when your face is broken out and you feel like hiding away because of pimples, blackheads and similar externally caused skin troubles? I know how it feels from personal experience. And I can appreciate the wonderful, wonderful joy that Ethel S. Jordan felt when she found something that not only *promised* her relief—but *gave* it to her in just one short week!

When I was having my own skin troubles, I tried a good many cosmetics, ointments and whatnot that were recommended to me. I remember vividly how disappointed I felt each time, until I discovered the skin doctor's formula now known as the Double Viderm Treatment. I felt pretty wonderful when friends began to rave about my "movie-star skin." No more self-consciousness. No more having my friends feel sorry for me. The secret joy, again, of running my fingertips over a smoother, clearer skin.

Many women shut themselves out of the thrills of life—dates, romance, popularity, social and business success—only because sheer neglect has robbed them of the good looks, poise and feminine self-assurance which could so easily be theirs. Yes, everybody looks at your face. The beautiful complexion, which is yours for the asking, is like a permanent card of admission to all the good things of life that every woman craves. And it really can be yours —*take my word for it!*—no matter how discouraged you may be this very minute about those externally caused skin miseries.



A screen star's face is her fortune. That's why she makes it her business to protect her complexion against pimples, blackheads and blemishes. Your face is no different. Give it the Double Treatment it needs and watch those skin blemishes go away.

What Makes "Bad Skin" Get That Way?

Medical science gives us the truth about how skin blemishes usually develop. There are small specks of dust and dirt in the air all the time. When these get into the open pores in your skin, they can in time "stretch" the pores and make them large enough to pocket dirt particles, dust and infection. These open pores become infected and bring you the humiliation of pimples, blackheads or other blemishes. Often, the natural oils that lubricate your skin will harden in the pores and result in unsightly blemishes.

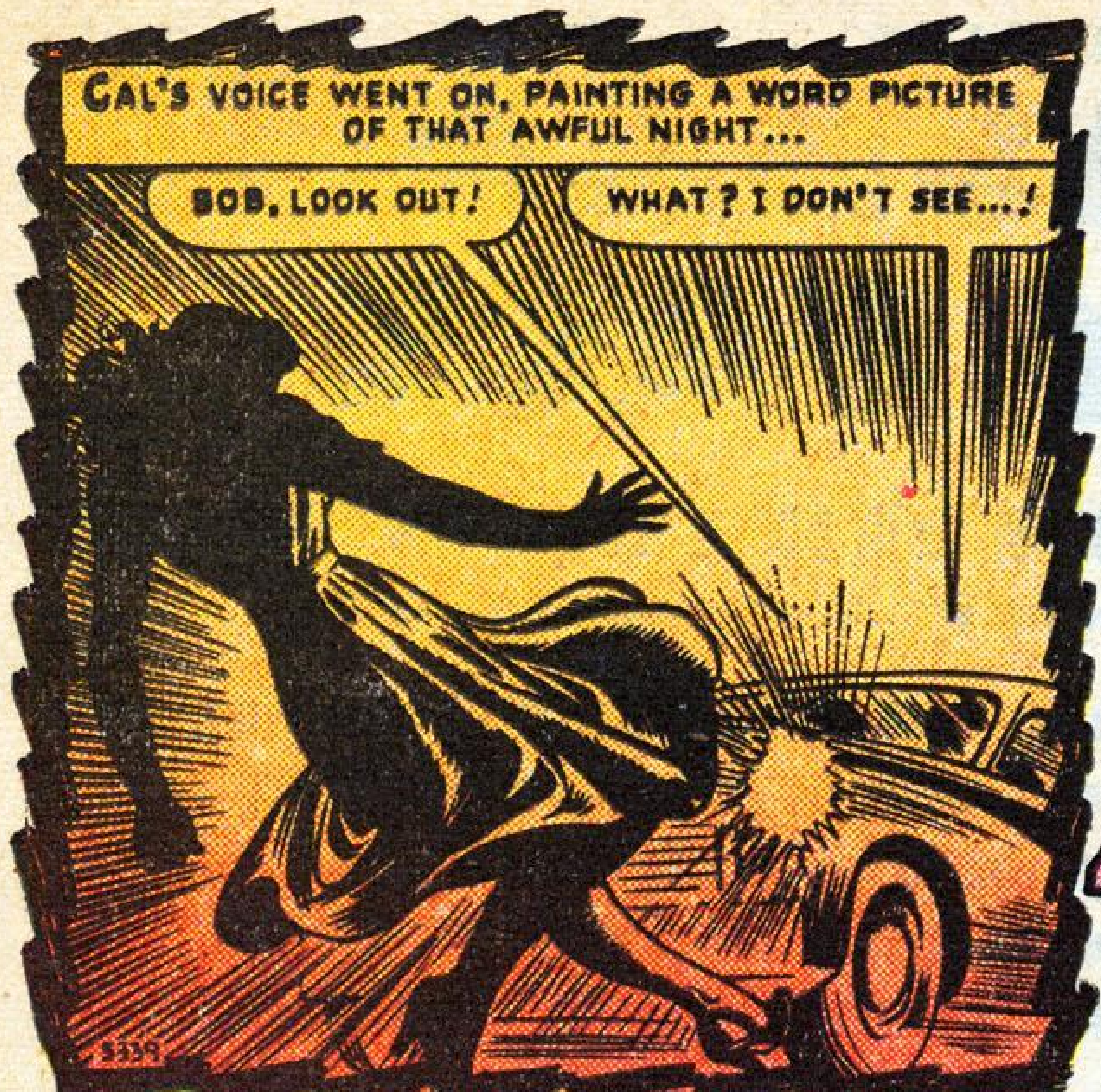
When you neglect your skin by not giving it the necessary care, you leave yourself wide open to externally caused skin miseries. Yet proper attention with the Double Viderm Treatment may mean the difference between enjoying the confidence a fine skin gives you or the embarrassment of an ugly, *un*beautiful skin that makes you want to hide your face.

The Double Viderm Treatment is a formula prescribed with amazing success by a dermatologist and costs you only a few cents daily. This treatment consists of two jars. One contains Viderm Skin Cleanser, a jelly-like formula which penetrates your pores and acts as an antiseptic. After you use this special Viderm Skin Cleanser, you simply apply the Viderm Fortified Medicated Skin Cream. You rub this in, leaving an almost invisible protective covering for the surface of your skin.

This double treatment has worked wonders for so many cases of external skin troubles that it may help you, too —*in fact, your money will be refunded if it doesn't.* Use it for only ten days. You have everything to gain and nothing to lose. It is a guaranteed treatment. Enjoy it. Your dream of a clearer, smoother complexion may come true in ten days or less.

Use your Double Viderm Treatment every day until your skin is smoother and clearer. Then use it only once a week to remove stale make-up and dirt specks that infect your pores, as well as to aid in healing external irritations. Remember that when you help prevent blackheads, you also help to prevent externally caused skin miseries and pimples.

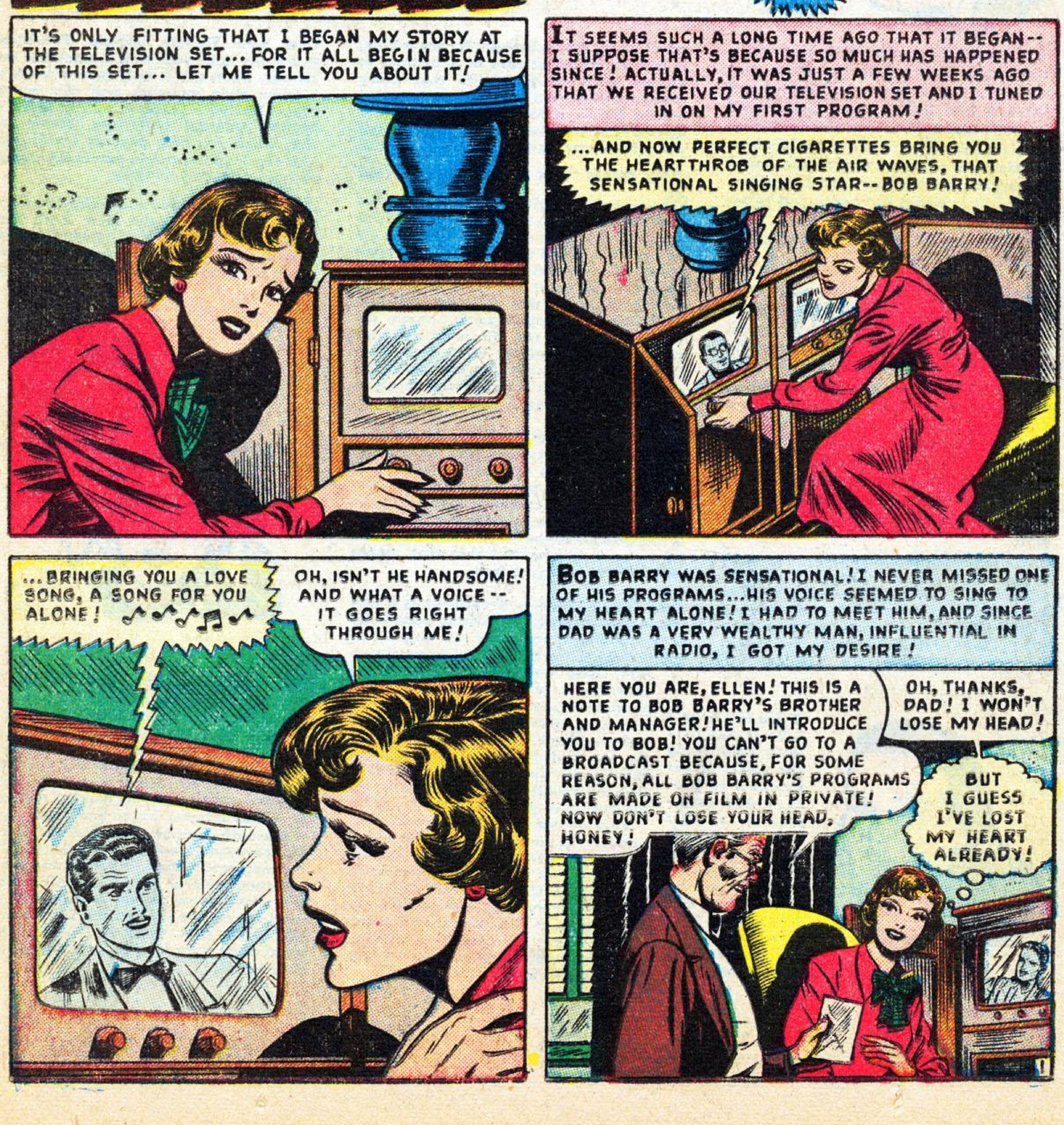
Just mail your name and address to Betty Memphis, care of the New York Skin Laboratory, 206 Division Street, Dept. 29, New York 2, N. Y. By return mail you will receive the doctor's directions, and both jars, packed in a safety-sealed carton. On delivery, pay two dollars plus postage. If you wish, you can save the postage fee by mailing the two dollars with your letter. Then, if you are in any way dissatisfied, your money will be cheerfully refunded. To give you an idea of how fully tested and proven the Viderm Double Treatment is, it may interest you to know that, up to this month, over two hundred and thirty-one thousand women have ordered it on my recommendation. If you could only see the thousands of happy, grateful letters that have come to me as a result, you would know the joy this simple treatment can bring. And, think of it!—the treatment *must* work for you, or it doesn't cost you a cent.

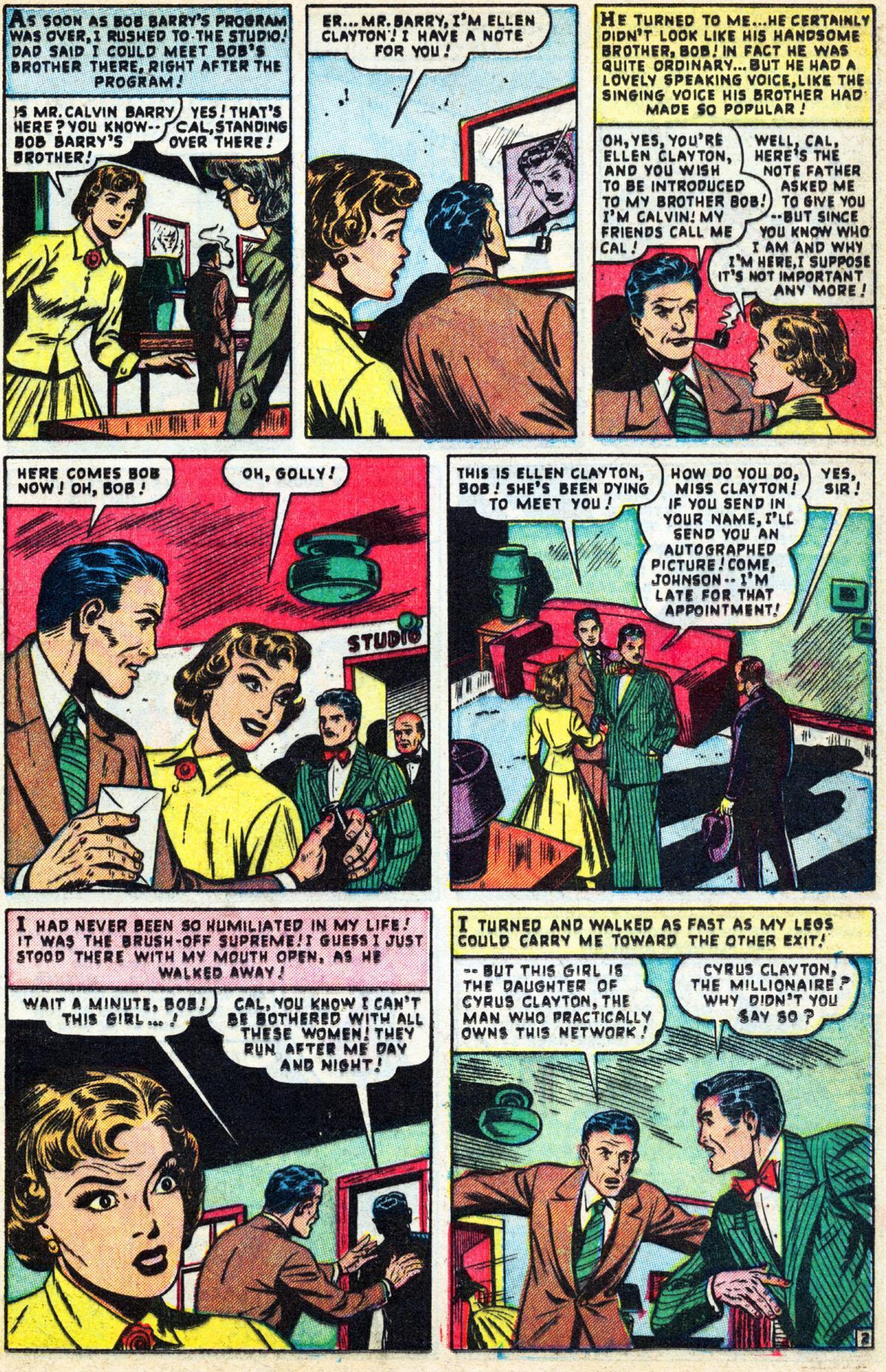

GAL'S VOICE WENT ON, PAINTING A WORD PICTURE OF THAT AWFUL NIGHT...
BOB, LOOK OUT!
WHAT? I DON'T SEE...!

EACH TIME WE WERE TOGETHER, MY HEART SANG A SYMPHONY OF LOVE... HOW WAS I TO KNOW THAT WITH EACH NOTE OF HAPPINESS --

"MY HEART SANG MURDER!"

A TRUE LIFE STORY


IT'S ONLY FITTING THAT I BEGAN MY STORY AT THE TELEVISION SET... FOR IT ALL BEGIN BECAUSE OF THIS SET... LET ME TELL YOU ABOUT IT!
IT SEEMS SUCH A LONG TIME AGO THAT IT BEGAN-- I SUPPOSE THAT'S BECAUSE SO MUCH HAS HAPPENED SINCE! ACTUALLY, IT WAS JUST A FEW WEEKS AGO THAT WE RECEIVED OUR TELEVISION SET AND I TUNED IN ON MY FIRST PROGRAM!
...AND NOW PERFECT CIGARETTES BRING YOU THE HEARTTHROB OF THE AIR WAVES, THAT SENSATIONAL SINGING STAR--BOB BARRY!
...BRINGING YOU A LOVE SONG, A SONG FOR YOU ALONE! ♪♪♫♪
OH, ISN'T HE HANDSOME! AND WHAT A VOICE -- IT GOES RIGHT THROUGH ME!
BOB BARRY WAS SENSATIONAL! I NEVER MISSED ONE OF HIS PROGRAMS...HIS VOICE SEEMED TO SING TO MY HEART ALONE! I HAD TO MEET HIM, AND SINCE DAD WAS A VERY WEALTHY MAN, INFLUENTIAL IN RADIO, I GOT MY DESIRE!
HERE YOU ARE, ELLEN! THIS IS A NOTE TO BOB BARRY'S BROTHER AND MANAGER! HE'LL INTRODUCE YOU TO BOB! YOU CAN'T GO TO A BROADCAST BECAUSE, FOR SOME REASON, ALL BOB BARRY'S PROGRAMS ARE MADE ON FILM IN PRIVATE! NOW DON'T LOSE YOUR HEAD, HONEY!
OH, THANKS, DAD! I WON'T LOSE MY HEAD!
BUT I GUESS I'VE LOST MY HEART ALREADY!


AS SOON AS BOB BARRY'S PROGRAM WAS OVER, I RUSHED TO THE STUDIO! DAD SAID I COULD MEET BOB'S BROTHER THERE, RIGHT AFTER THE PROGRAM!
IS MR. CALVIN BARRY HERE? YOU KNOW-- BOB BARRY'S BROTHER!
YES! THAT'S CAL, STANDING OVER THERE!
ER... MR. BARRY, I'M ELLEN CLAYTON! I HAVE A NOTE FOR YOU!
HE TURNED TO ME... HE CERTAINLY DIDN'T LOOK LIKE HIS HANDSOME BROTHER, BOB! IN FACT HE WAS QUITE ORDINARY... BUT HE HAD A LOVELY SPEAKING VOICE, LIKE THE SINGING VOICE HIS BROTHER HAD MADE SO POPULAR!
OH, YES, YOU'RE ELLEN CLAYTON, AND YOU WISH TO BE INTRODUCED TO MY BROTHER BOB! I'M CALVIN! MY FRIENDS CALL ME CAL!
WELL, CAL, HERE'S THE NOTE FATHER ASKED ME TO GIVE YOU --BUT SINCE YOU KNOW WHO I AM AND WHY I'M HERE, I SUPPOSE IT'S NOT IMPORTANT ANY MORE!
HERE COMES BOB NOW! OH, BOB!
OH, GOLLY!
STUDIO
THIS IS ELLEN CLAYTON, BOB! SHE'S BEEN DYING TO MEET YOU!
HOW DO YOU DO, MISS CLAYTON! IF YOU SEND IN YOUR NAME, I'LL SEND YOU AN AUTOGRAPHED PICTURE! COME, JOHNSON -- I'M LATE FOR THAT APPOINTMENT!
YES, SIR!
I HAD NEVER BEEN SO HUMILIATED IN MY LIFE! IT WAS THE BRUSH-OFF SUPREME! I GUESS I JUST STOOD THERE WITH MY MOUTH OPEN, AS HE WALKED AWAY!
WAIT A MINUTE, BOB! THIS GIRL... !
CAL, YOU KNOW I CAN'T BE BOTHERED WITH ALL THESE WOMEN! THEY RUN AFTER ME DAY AND NIGHT!
I TURNED AND WALKED AS FAST AS MY LEGS COULD CARRY ME TOWARD THE OTHER EXIT!
-- BUT THIS GIRL IS THE DAUGHTER OF CYRUS CLAYTON, THE MAN WHO PRACTICALLY OWNS THIS NETWORK!
CYRUS CLAYTON, THE MILLIONAIRE? WHY DIDN'T YOU SAY SO?
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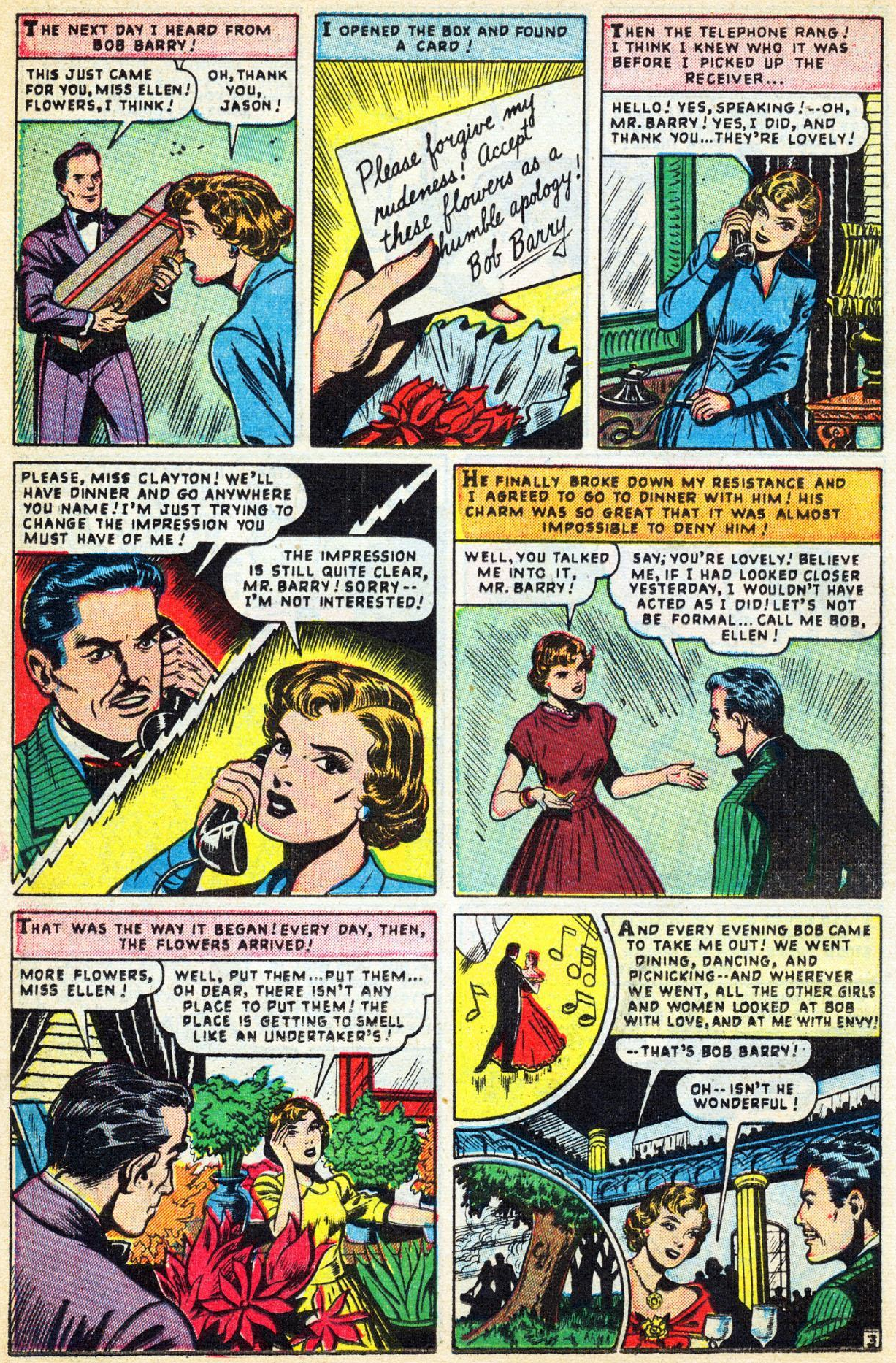
THE NEXT DAY I HEARD FROM BOB BARRY!
THIS JUST CAME FOR YOU, MISS ELLEN! FLOWERS, I THINK!
OH, THANK YOU, JASON!
I OPENED THE BOX AND FOUND A CARD!
Please forgive my rudeness! Accept these flowers as a humble apology! Bob Barry
THEN THE TELEPHONE RANG! I THINK I KNEW WHO IT WAS BEFORE I PICKED UP THE RECEIVER...
HELLO! YES, SPEAKING!--OH, MR. BARRY! YES, I DID, AND THANK YOU...THEY'RE LOVELY!
PLEASE, MISS CLAYTON! WE'LL HAVE DINNER AND GO ANYWHERE YOU NAME! I'M JUST TRYING TO CHANGE THE IMPRESSION YOU MUST HAVE OF ME!
THE IMPRESSION IS STILL QUITE CLEAR, MR. BARRY! SORRY -- I'M NOT INTERESTED!
HE FINALLY BROKE DOWN MY RESISTANCE AND I AGREED TO GO TO DINNER WITH HIM! HIS CHARM WAS SO GREAT THAT IT WAS ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO DENY HIM!
WELL, YOU TALKED ME INTO IT, MR. BARRY!
SAY, YOU'RE LOVELY! BELIEVE ME, IF I HAD LOOKED CLOSER YESTERDAY, I WOULDN'T HAVE ACTED AS I DID! LET'S NOT BE FORMAL... CALL ME BOB, ELLEN!
THAT WAS THE WAY IT BEGAN! EVERY DAY, THEN, THE FLOWERS ARRIVED!
MORE FLOWERS, MISS ELLEN!
WELL, PUT THEM...PUT THEM... OH DEAR, THERE ISN'T ANY PLACE TO PUT THEM! THE PLACE IS GETTING TO SMELL LIKE AN UNDERTAKER'S!
AND EVERY EVENING BOB CAME TO TAKE ME OUT! WE WENT DINING, DANCING, AND PICNICKING--AND WHEREVER WE WENT, ALL THE OTHER GIRLS AND WOMEN LOOKED AT BOB WITH LOVE, AND AT ME WITH ENVY!
--THAT'S BOB BARRY!
OH-- ISN'T HE WONDERFUL!
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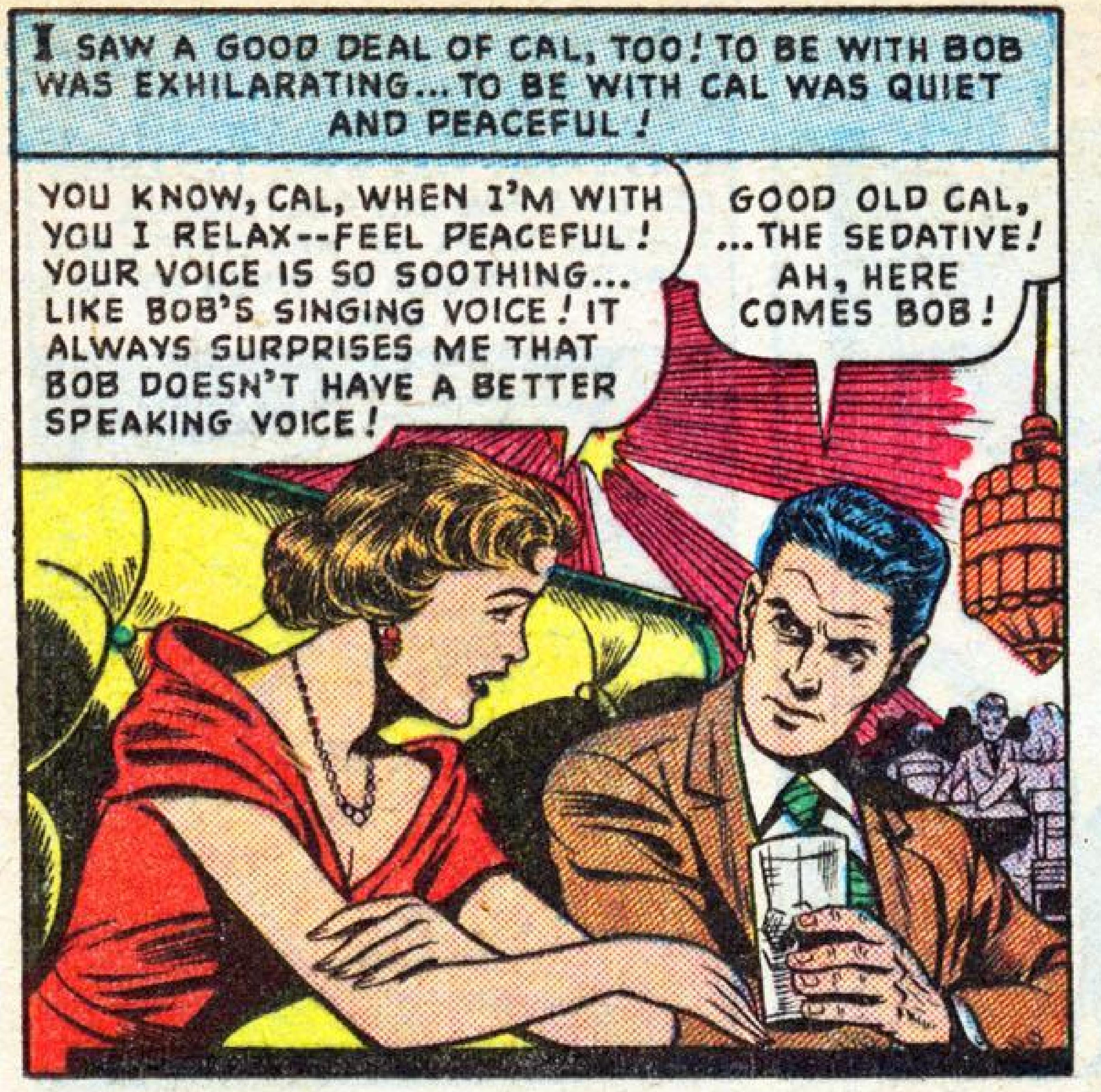
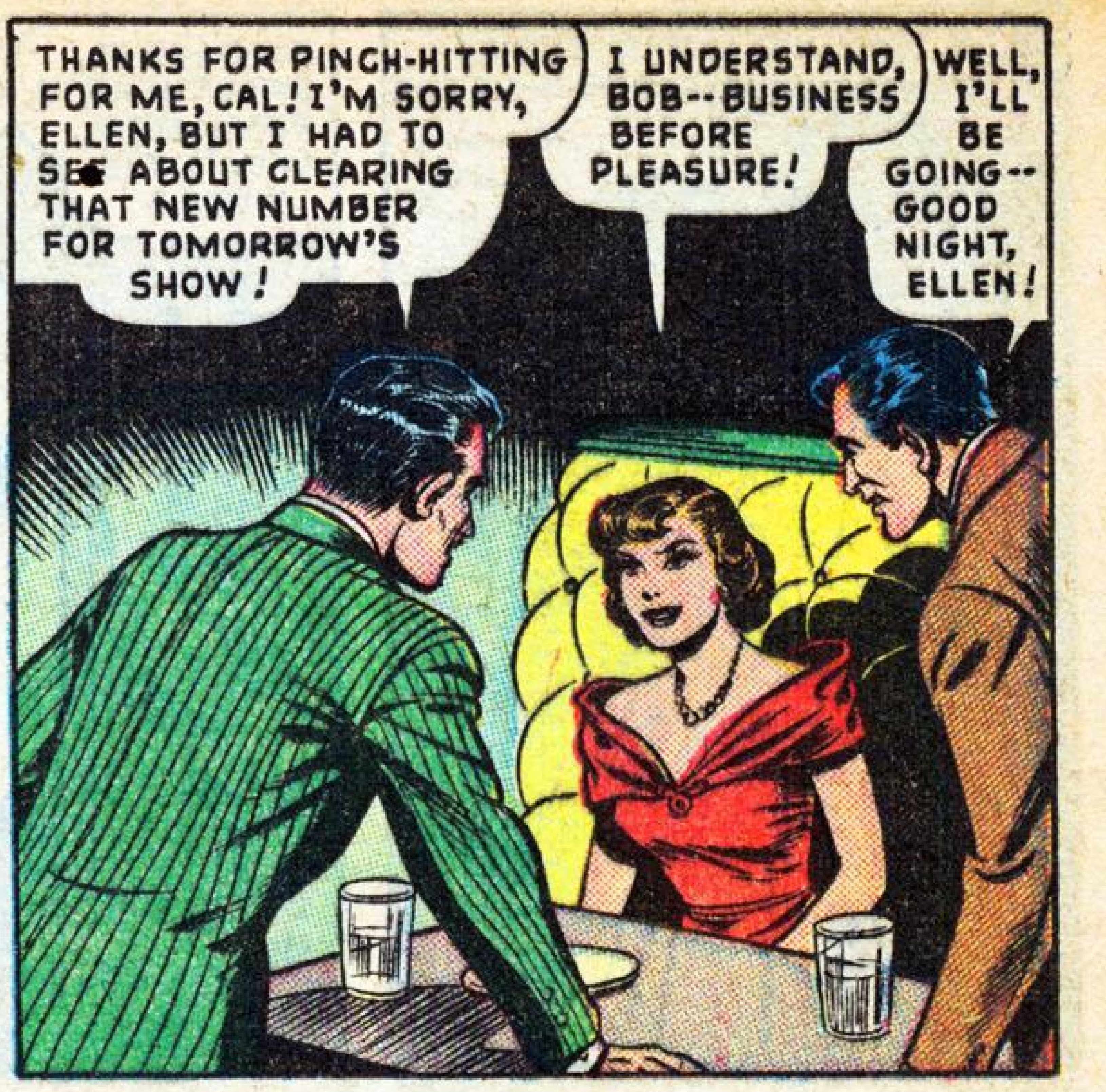
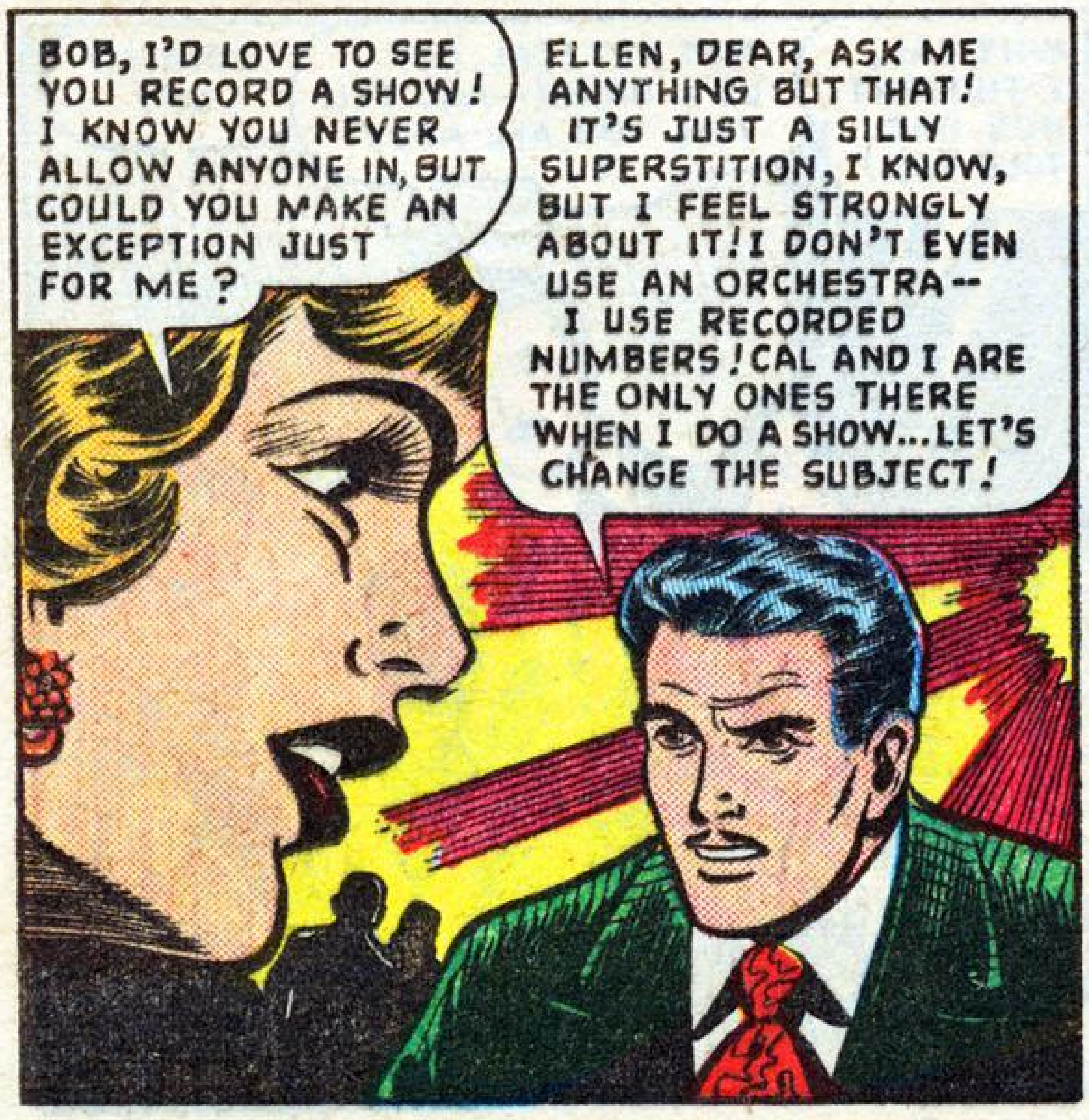
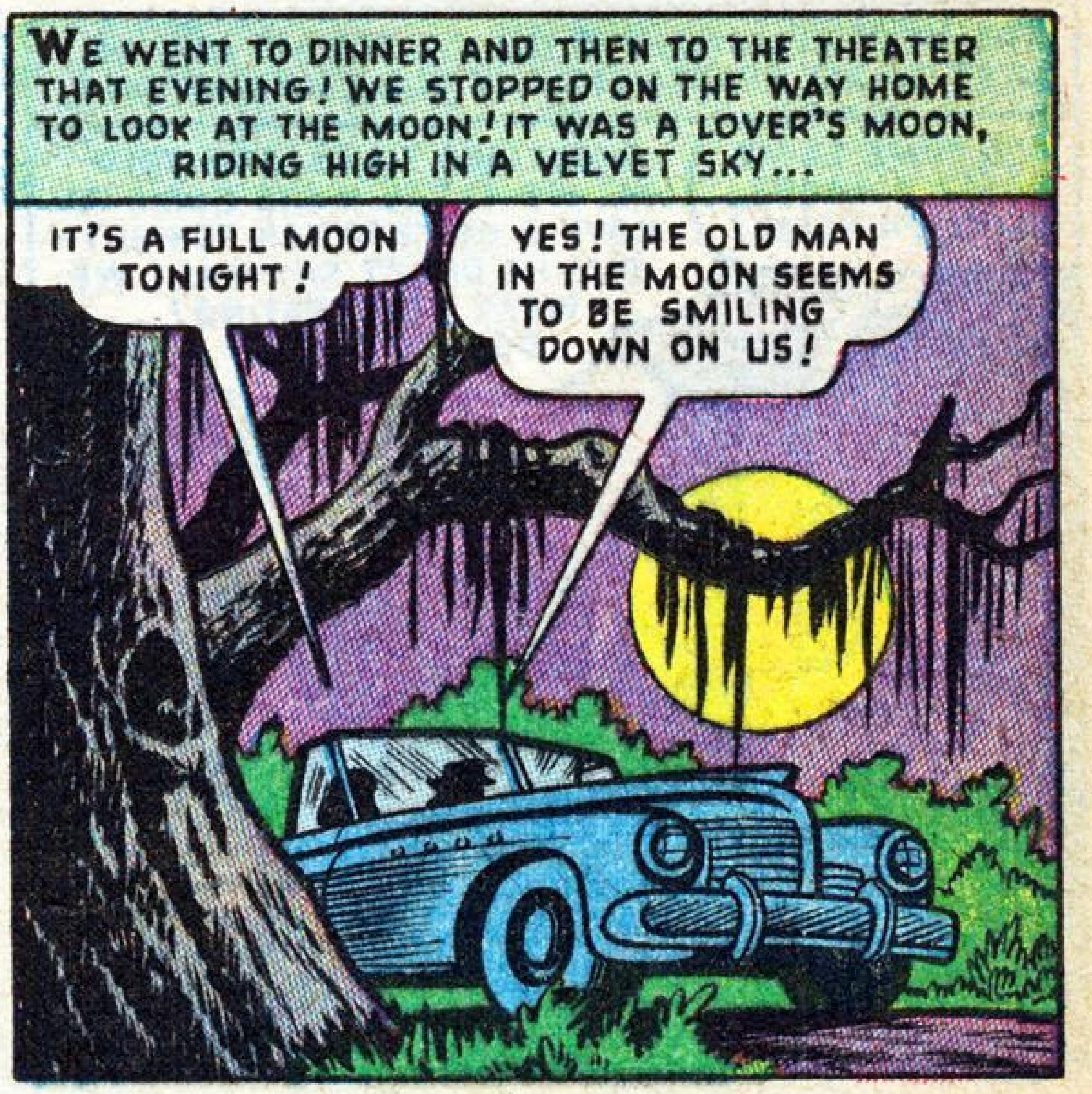
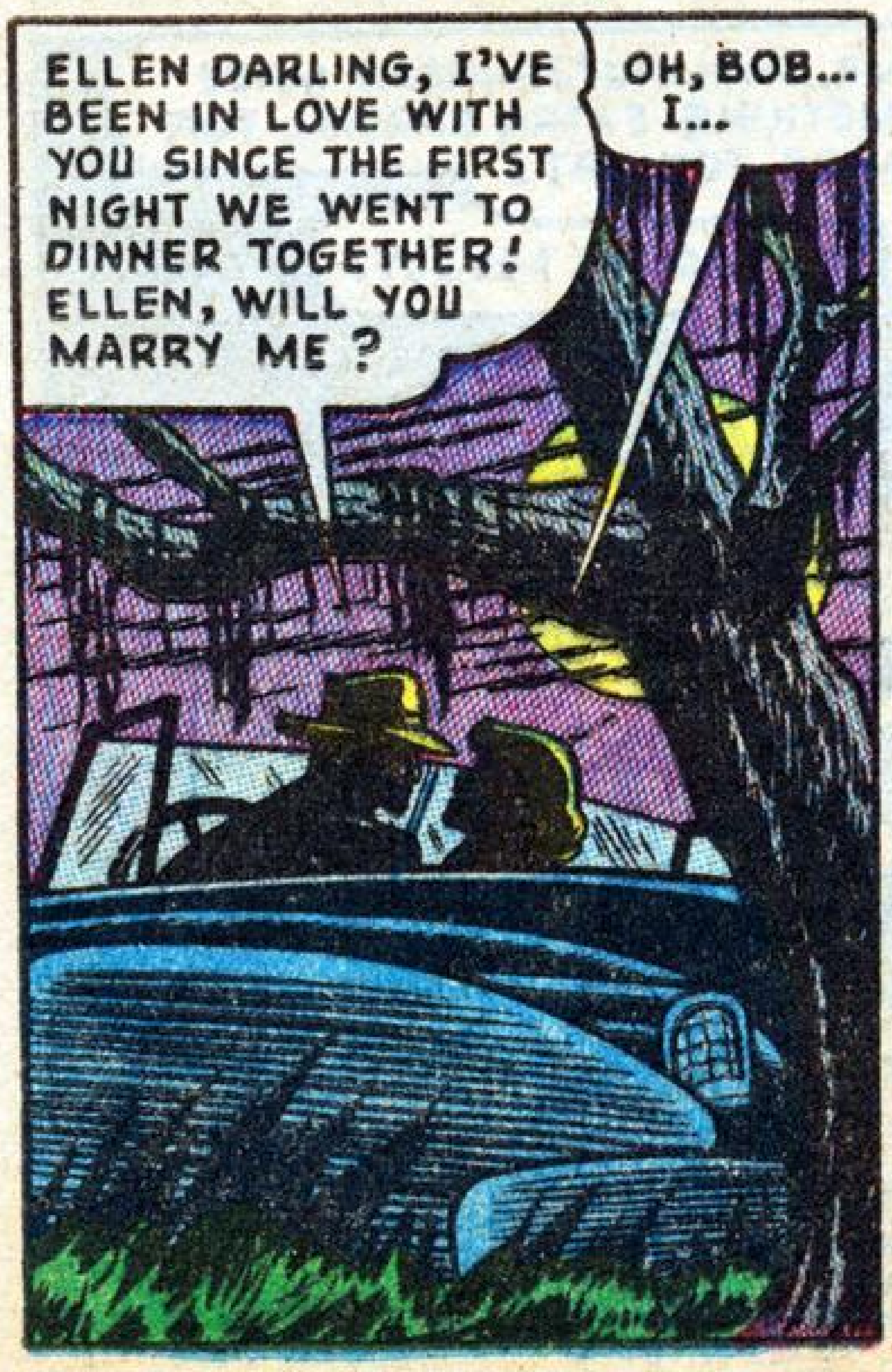
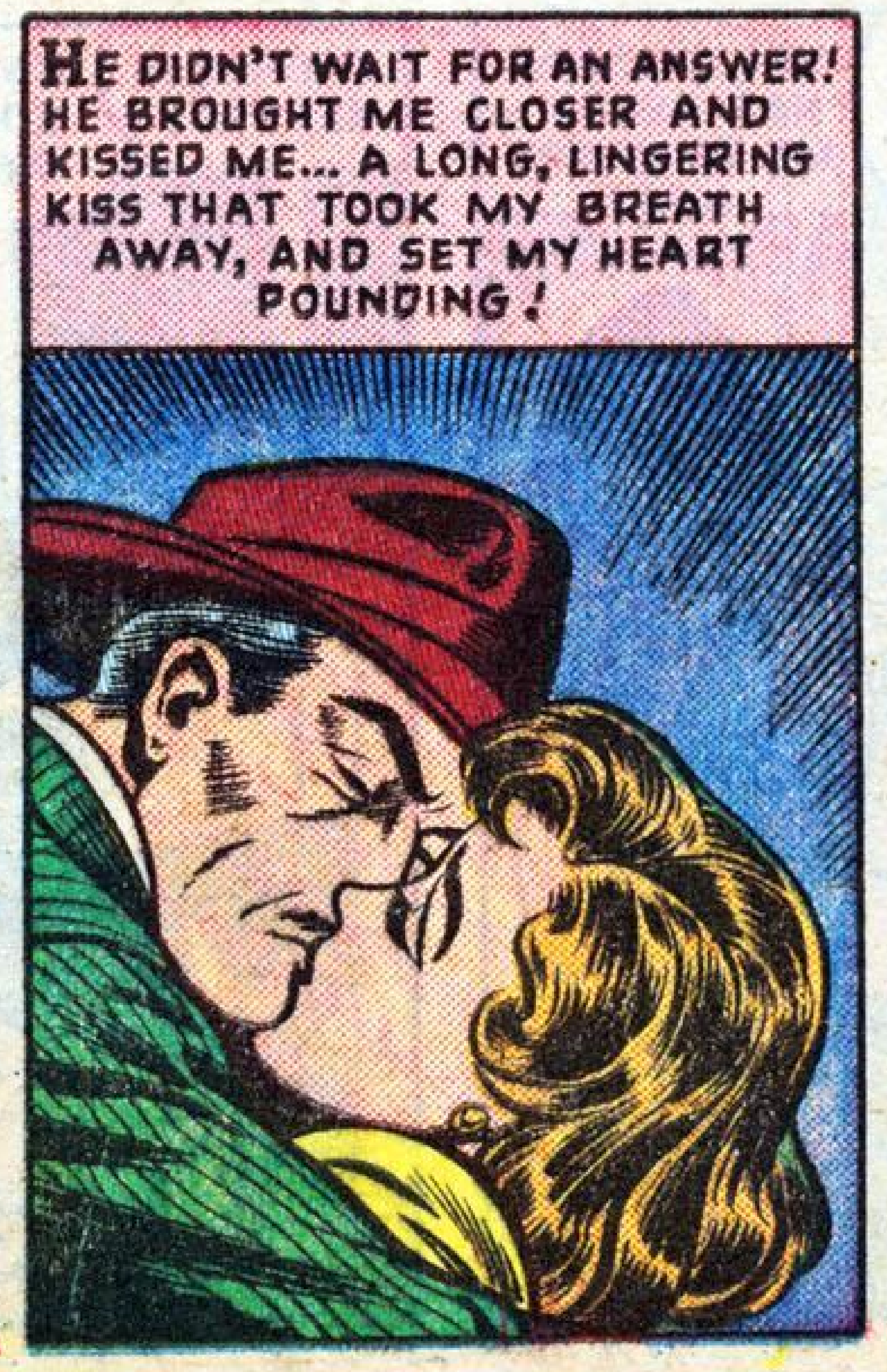

I SAW A GOOD DEAL OF CAL, TOO! TO BE WITH BOB WAS EXHILARATING... TO BE WITH CAL WAS QUIET AND PEACEFUL!
YOU KNOW, CAL, WHEN I'M WITH YOU I RELAX--FEEL PEACEFUL! YOUR VOICE IS SO SOOTHING... LIKE BOB'S SINGING VOICE! IT ALWAYS SURPRISES ME THAT BOB DOESN'T HAVE A BETTER SPEAKING VOICE!
GOOD OLD CAL, ...THE SEDATIVE! AH, HERE COMES BOB!

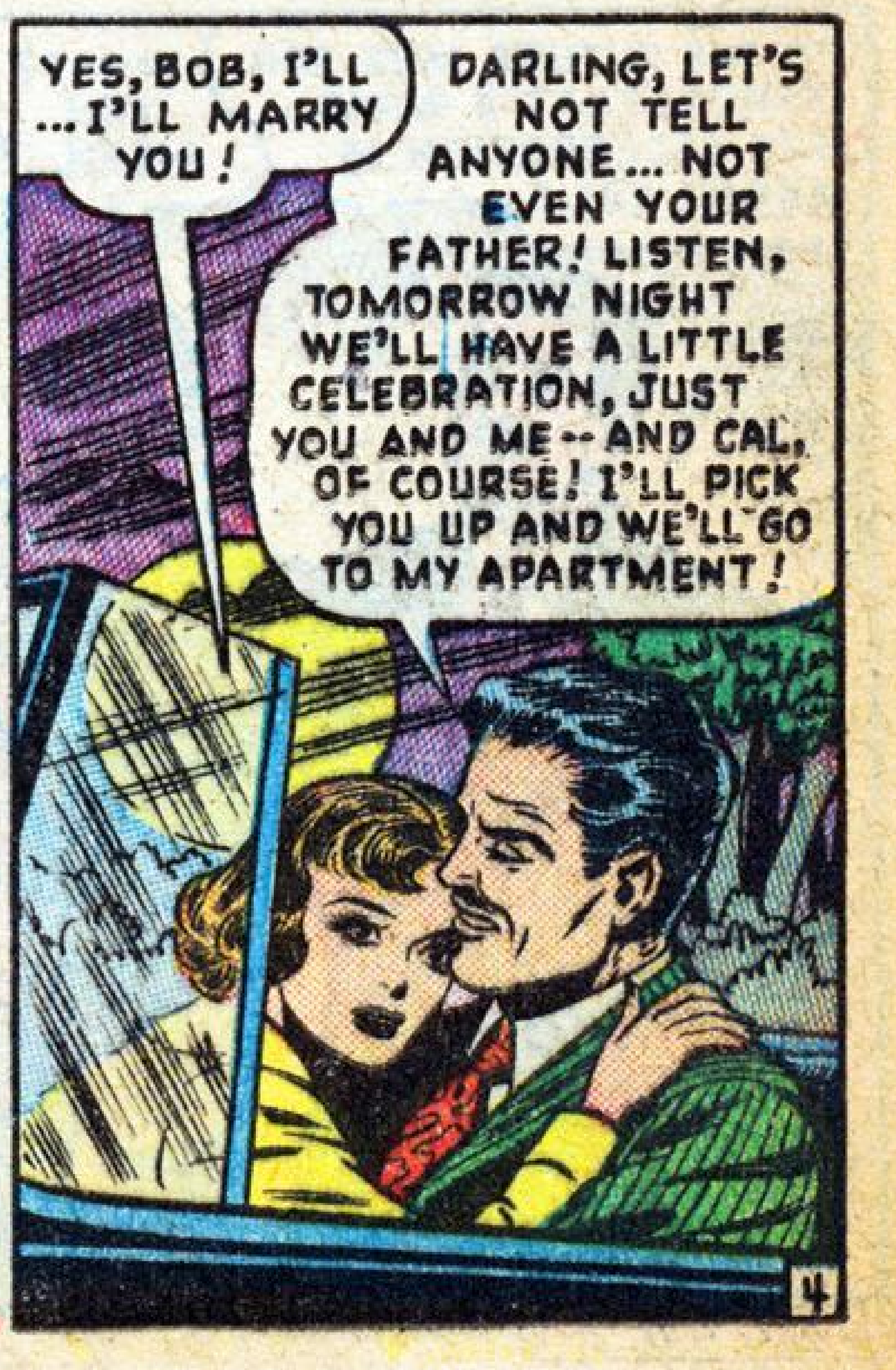

THANKS FOR PINCH-HITTING FOR ME, CAL! I'M SORRY, ELLEN, BUT I HAD TO SEE ABOUT CLEARING THAT NEW NUMBER FOR TOMORROW'S SHOW!
I UNDERSTAND, BOB--BUSINESS BEFORE PLEASURE!
WELL, I'LL BE GOING--GOOD NIGHT, ELLEN!

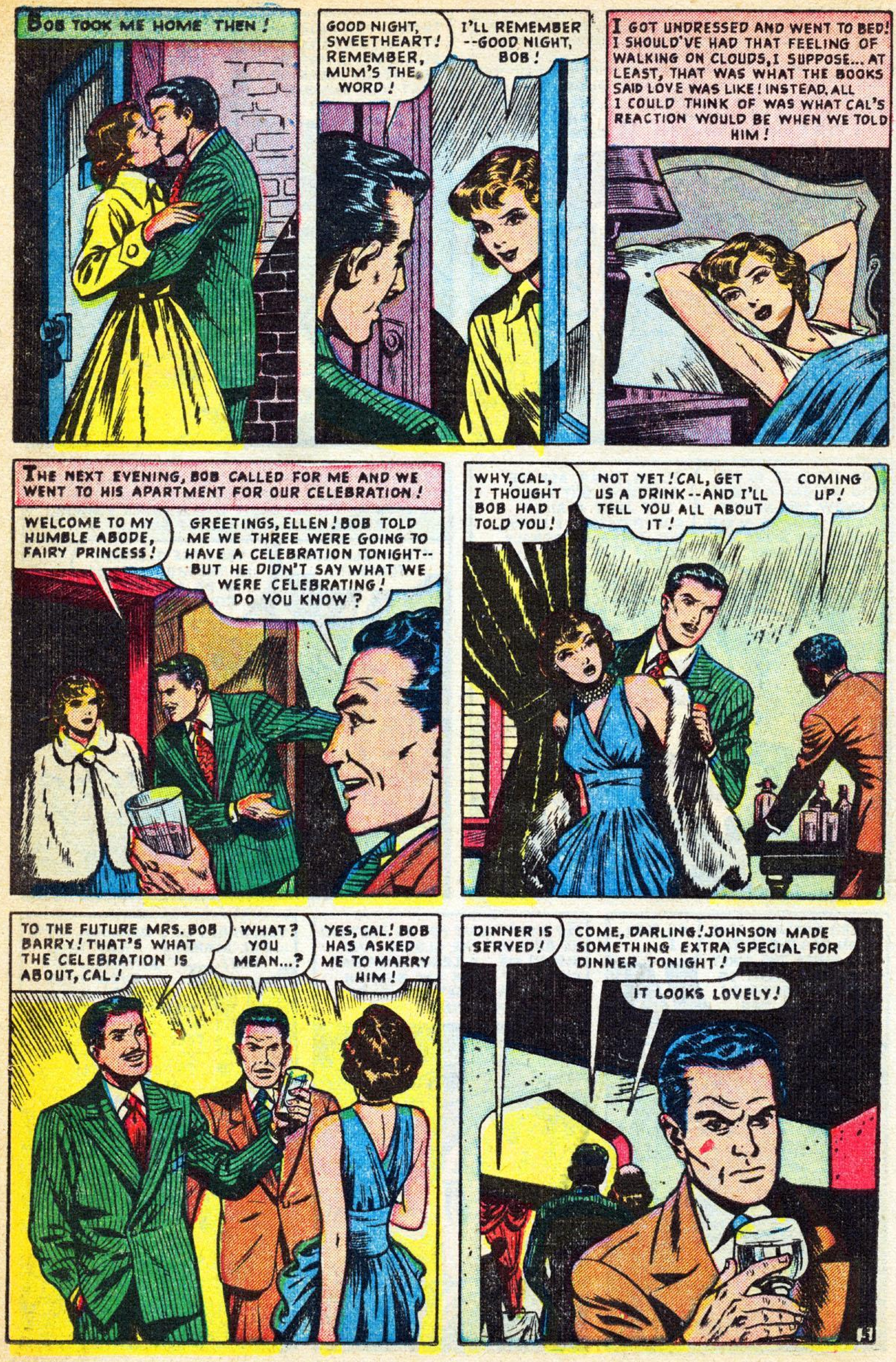

BOB, I'D LOVE TO SEE YOU RECORD A SHOW! I KNOW YOU NEVER ALLOW ANYONE IN, BUT COULD YOU MAKE AN EXCEPTION JUST FOR ME?
ELLEN, DEAR, ASK ME ANYTHING BUT THAT! IT'S JUST A SILLY SUPERSTITION, I KNOW, BUT I FEEL STRONGLY ABOUT IT! I DON'T EVEN USE AN ORCHESTRA--I USE RECORDED NUMBERS! CAL AND I ARE THE ONLY ONES THERE WHEN I DO A SHOW... LET'S CHANGE THE SUBJECT!

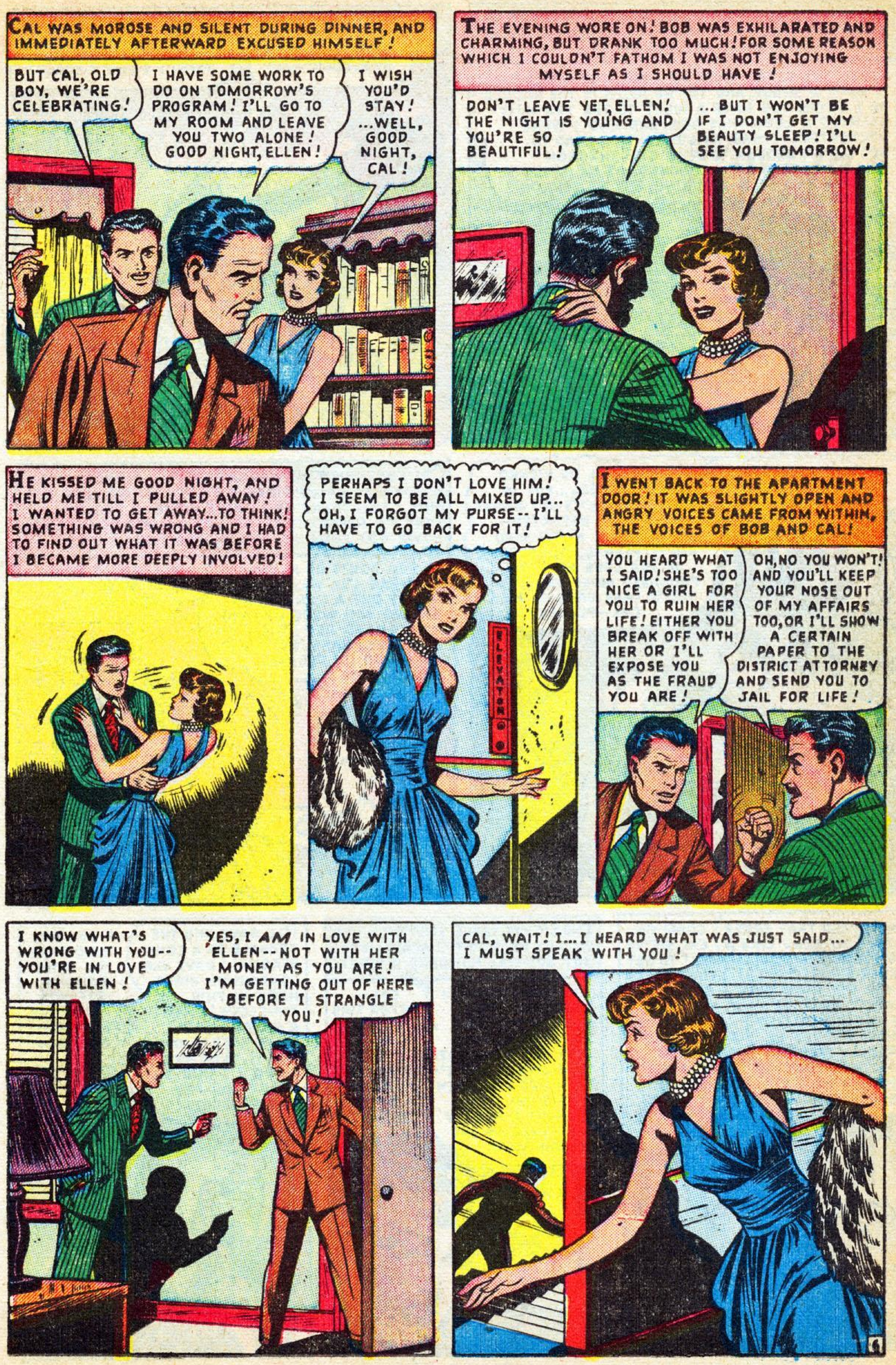

WE WENT TO DINNER AND THEN TO THE THEATER THAT EVENING! WE STOPPED ON THE WAY HOME TO LOOK AT THE MOON! IT WAS A LOVER'S MOON, RIDING HIGH IN A VELVET SKY...
IT'S A FULL MOON TONIGHT!
YES! THE OLD MAN IN THE MOON SEEMS TO BE SMILING DOWN ON US!


ELLEN DARLING, I'VE BEEN IN LOVE WITH YOU SINCE THE FIRST NIGHT WE WENT TO DINNER TOGETHER! ELLEN, WILL YOU MARRY ME?
OH, BOB... I...


HE DIDN'T WAIT FOR AN ANSWER! HE BROUGHT ME CLOSER AND KISSED ME... A LONG, LINGERING KISS THAT TOOK MY BREATH AWAY, AND SET MY HEART POUNDING!


YES, BOB, I'LL ...I'LL MARRY YOU!
DARLING, LET'S NOT TELL ANYONE... NOT EVEN YOUR FATHER! LISTEN, TOMORROW NIGHT WE'LL HAVE A LITTLE CELEBRATION, JUST YOU AND ME--AND CAL, OF COURSE! I'LL PICK YOU UP AND WE'LL GO TO MY APARTMENT!


BOB TOOK ME HOME THEN!
GOOD NIGHT, SWEETHEART! REMEMBER, MUM'S THE WORD!
I'LL REMEMBER --GOOD NIGHT, BOB!
I GOT UNDRESSED AND WENT TO BED! I SHOULD'VE HAD THAT FEELING OF WALKING ON CLOUDS, I SUPPOSE... AT LEAST, THAT WAS WHAT THE BOOKS SAID LOVE WAS LIKE! INSTEAD, ALL I COULD THINK OF WAS WHAT CAL'S REACTION WOULD BE WHEN WE TOLD HIM!
THE NEXT EVENING, BOB CALLED FOR ME AND WE WENT TO HIS APARTMENT FOR OUR CELEBRATION!
WELCOME TO MY HUMBLE ABODE, FAIRY PRINCESS!
GREETINGS, ELLEN! BOB TOLD ME WE THREE WERE GOING TO HAVE A CELEBRATION TONIGHT-- BUT HE DIDN'T SAY WHAT WE WERE CELEBRATING! DO YOU KNOW?
WHY, CAL, I THOUGHT BOB HAD TOLD YOU!
NOT YET! CAL, GET US A DRINK--AND I'LL TELL YOU ALL ABOUT IT!
COMING UP!
TO THE FUTURE MRS. BOB BARRY! THAT'S WHAT THE CELEBRATION IS ABOUT, CAL!
WHAT? YOU MEAN...?
YES, CAL! BOB HAS ASKED ME TO MARRY HIM!
DINNER IS SERVED!
COME, DARLING! JOHNSON MADE SOMETHING EXTRA SPECIAL FOR DINNER TONIGHT!
IT LOOKS LOVELY!


CAL WAS MOROSE AND SILENT DURING DINNER, AND IMMEDIATELY AFTERWARD EXCUSED HIMSELF!
BUT CAL, OLD BOY, WE'RE CELEBRATING!
I HAVE SOME WORK TO DO ON TOMORROW'S PROGRAM! I'LL GO TO MY ROOM AND LEAVE YOU TWO ALONE! GOOD NIGHT, ELLEN!
I WISH YOU'D STAY! ...WELL, GOOD NIGHT, CAL!
THE EVENING WORE ON! BOB WAS EXHILARATED AND CHARMING, BUT DRANK TOO MUCH! FOR SOME REASON WHICH I COULDN'T FATHOM I WAS NOT ENJOYING MYSELF AS I SHOULD HAVE!
DON'T LEAVE YET, ELLEN! THE NIGHT IS YOUNG AND YOU'RE SO BEAUTIFUL!
... BUT I WON'T BE IF I DON'T GET MY BEAUTY SLEEP! I'LL SEE YOU TOMORROW!
HE KISSED ME GOOD NIGHT, AND HELD ME TILL I PULLED AWAY! I WANTED TO GET AWAY...TO THINK! SOMETHING WAS WRONG AND I HAD TO FIND OUT WHAT IT WAS BEFORE I BECAME MORE DEEPLY INVOLVED!
PERHAPS I DON'T LOVE HIM! I SEEM TO BE ALL MIXED UP... OH, I FORGOT MY PURSE -- I'LL HAVE TO GO BACK FOR IT!
ELEVATOR
I WENT BACK TO THE APARTMENT DOOR! IT WAS SLIGHTLY OPEN AND ANGRY VOICES CAME FROM WITHIN, THE VOICES OF BOB AND CAL!
YOU HEARD WHAT I SAID! SHE'S TOO NICE A GIRL FOR YOU TO RUIN HER LIFE! EITHER YOU BREAK OFF WITH HER OR I'LL EXPOSE YOU AS THE FRAUD YOU ARE!
OH, NO YOU WON'T! AND YOU'LL KEEP YOUR NOSE OUT OF MY AFFAIRS TOO, OR I'LL SHOW A CERTAIN PAPER TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND SEND YOU TO JAIL FOR LIFE!
I KNOW WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU-- YOU'RE IN LOVE WITH ELLEN!
YES, I *AM* IN LOVE WITH ELLEN--NOT WITH HER MONEY AS YOU ARE! I'M GETTING OUT OF HERE BEFORE I STRANGLE YOU!
CAL, WAIT! I...I HEARD WHAT WAS JUST SAID... I MUST SPEAK WITH YOU!

WE WALKED OUT INTO THE STREET--CAL NOT SAYING A WORD, STRUGGLING WITH HIS PROBLEM! FINALLY HE TURNED TO ME AND SPOKE!
ELLEN, YOU HEARD WHAT HE SAID...THE WHOLE THING IS SUCH A MIXUP, AND YOU'RE RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE--SO I GUESS YOU HAVE A RIGHT TO THE TRUTH! IT STARTED A LONG TIME AGO! BOB AND I WERE YOUNGSTERS--I WAS SINGING WITH A BAND TO GET MONEY ENOUGH TO SEND BOB THROUGH COLLEGE! ONE NIGHT HE PICKED ME UP IN THE CAR--HE HAD BEEN DRINKING, BUT HE WOULDN'T LET ME DRIVE...
CAL'S VOICE WENT ON, PAINTING A WORD PICTURE OF THAT AWFUL NIGHT...
BOB, LOOK OUT!
WHAT? I DON'T SEE...!
SHE'S DEAD! WE'LL HAVE TO REPORT THIS TO THE POLICE!
NO--NO! I'LL BE KICKED OUT OF SCHOOL...PUT IN JAIL! CAL, LET'S GET AWAY! THE ROAD'S DESERTED--NO ONE WILL KNOW WHO DID IT! PLEASE, CAL--PLEASE, IF YOU LOVE ME--YOU PROMISED MOM AND DAD YOU'D TAKE CARE OF ME! CAL--PLEASE!
CAL CONTINUED HIS NARRATIVE..."HE PLEADED WITH ME HYSTERICALLY! FINALLY I GAVE IN! WE LEFT THE GIRL LYING THERE AND DROVE HOME--I FIGURED THAT I'D REPORT IT AFTER BOB CALMED DOWN! WHEN WE GOT HOME HE WAS WORSE THAN EVER!"
IF YOU DON'T DO IT, CAL, I SWEAR I'LL KILL MYSELF! WRITE OUT A CONFESSION SAYING YOU WERE DRIVING AND KILLED HER! THEN I'LL FEEL SAFE! GO AHEAD, DO IT--DO IT! PLEASE, CAL--PLEASE!
ALL RIGHT, BOB--IF IT WILL CALM YOU DOWN!
HE'S HELD THAT PAPER OVER MY HEAD LIKE A SWORD OF DAMOCLES EVER SINCE! I'VE LET HIM GET AWAY WITH A LOT, BECAUSE I NEVER REALIZED HOW ROTTEN HE REALLY WAS! BUT WHEN HE INVOLVED *YOU* IN HIS DIRTY SCHEMES...
COME ON, CAL, WE'VE GOT TO GET THAT PAPER BACK! HE MUST HAVE IT IN THE APARTMENT NEAR HIM! HE'LL BE ASLEEP BY NOW...WE'LL SEARCH UNTIL WE FIND IT!
THE LIGHTS WERE STILL ON WHEN WE GOT BACK TO THE APARTMENT! BUT BOB WAS NOWHERE IN SIGHT!
YOU LOOK THROUGH THE DESK--I'LL SEARCH THE WALL SAFE! HE ALWAYS KEPT THE COMBINATION TO HIMSELF, BUT I'VE WATCHED HIM OPEN IT ENOUGH TIMES TO HAVE A PRETTY GOOD IDEA OF THE COMBINATION!
CAL--AFTER THIS IS OVER WE'LL TALK ABOUT SOME OTHER THINGS!
I'LL SAVE YOU THE TROUBLE OF A LONG SEARCH! I HAVE THE CONFESSION RIGHT HERE IN THIS ENVELOPE! I HAD A HUNCH YOU'D COME BACK LOOKING FOR IT, DEAR BROTHER! --AND I THINK I'LL SHOOT YOU FOR TRESPASSING!
IF YOU DO, WHO WILL DO YOUR SINGING FOR YOU ON YOUR TELEVISION PROGRAM?

WHEN CAL SAID THAT, EVERYTHING BECAME CRYSTAL CLEAR! IT WAS CAL'S VOICE THAT THRILLED SO MANY PEOPLE OVER THE AIR WAVES! BOB WAS ONLY THE STOOGE, THE HANDSOME FACE THAT MOVED AS THOUGH IN SONG! THIS WAS THE REASON THAT HIS PROGRAMS WERE DONE IN STRICT SECRECY!
I'M GOING TO MAKE A CLEAN BREAST OF THE WHOLE BUSINESS, BOB... ABOUT YOUR KILLING THE GIRL WITH YOUR CAR, AND EVERYTHING!!
WHY YOU... OHHHH...!
BAM!
JOHNSON... YOU!!!
THE GIRL THAT WAS KILLED THAT TIME!... HER NAME WAS EMILY JOHNSON--MY DAUGHTER! IT TOOK ME A LONG TIME TO PICK UP THE TRAIL--THEN I WASN'T SURE WHETHER IT WAS YOU OR HE... UNTIL TONIGHT! I'M GOING NOW! PLEASE DON'T TRY TO STOP ME, SIR!
I STOOD STUNNED AS CAL WALKED TO THE PHONE AND DIALED!
HELLO, POLICE? I WANT TO REPORT AN ACCIDENT... A FATAL ACCIDENT! MY BROTHER, BOB BARRY, THE TELEVISION STAR, WAS SHOWING US SOME GUNS, AND BY ACCIDENT...!
AFTER IT WAS ALL OVER, CAL TOOK ME HOME!
BOB SAID SOMETHING ELSE WHEN YOU WERE QUARRELING, CAL... HE SAID YOU WERE IN LOVE WITH ME... IS IT TRUE?
FORGET IT, ELLEN! YES, IT'S TRUE--BUT I KNOW I DON'T STAND A CHANCE WITH YOU!
SUDDENLY I KNEW THE TRUTH--WHY I HADN'T FELT THE WAY I SHOULD TOWARD BOB! IT WAS THE VOICE I HAD HEARD OVER THE AIR WAVES THAT I HAD FALLEN IN LOVE WITH--THE FACE HAD BEEN ONLY WINDOW TRIMMING! I HAD BEEN HALF IN LOVE WITH BOB--IN LOVE WITH THE VOICE--AND THE VOICE HAD BEEN CAL'S!
FAINT HEART NE'ER WON FAIR LADY, CAL--DARLING!
ELLEN, DO YOU MEAN...?
THE NEXT THING I KNEW, CAL... OH, I'VE BEEN SO WRAPPED UP IN THE STORY THAT I FORGOT ABOUT THE PROGRAM! HERE IT COMES NOW!
--AND WE BRING YOU THAT SENSATIONAL NEW SINGING STAR... CAL BARRY! TAKE IT AWAY, CAL!
♫ LIKE THE BIRDS THAT FLY ABOVE, BRINGING YOU THE VOICE YOU LOVE... ♫
ISN'T HE MANLY LOOKING?... AND THAT VOICE... OHHHHH!
THE END

I RAN AWAY FROM LOVE

THE headwaiter led Nick and me to a table in the dark, crowded restaurant. As we edged into our seats, I noticed the headwaiter incline his head toward Nick's.

"Pierre is expecting you," I heard him whisper.

Nick nodded shortly, with a glance at me, but I tried not to show my curiosity. As the headwaiter moved silently away, the music that had accompanied a sleek, young man and his partner ended and the dancing couple bowed to scattered applause. I smiled brightly at Nick, telling myself that it was all nonsense, that I was *not* uncomfortable, and that I loved being in these exciting, glamorous surroundings with Nick who was so exciting and glamorous himself. His gleaming black hair and tan skin accentuated the whiteness of his teeth, particularly when he smiled charmingly, as he had been doing all evening. Picturing Winn, I tried to feel scornful. He was homely, I thought, homely and unattractive and stubborn and provincial! But even so, the blunt features of Winn's face appeared before my eyes all the while I was looking at Nick's handsome face.

"Would you care for a drink?" Nick asked. "Or shall we order dinner?"

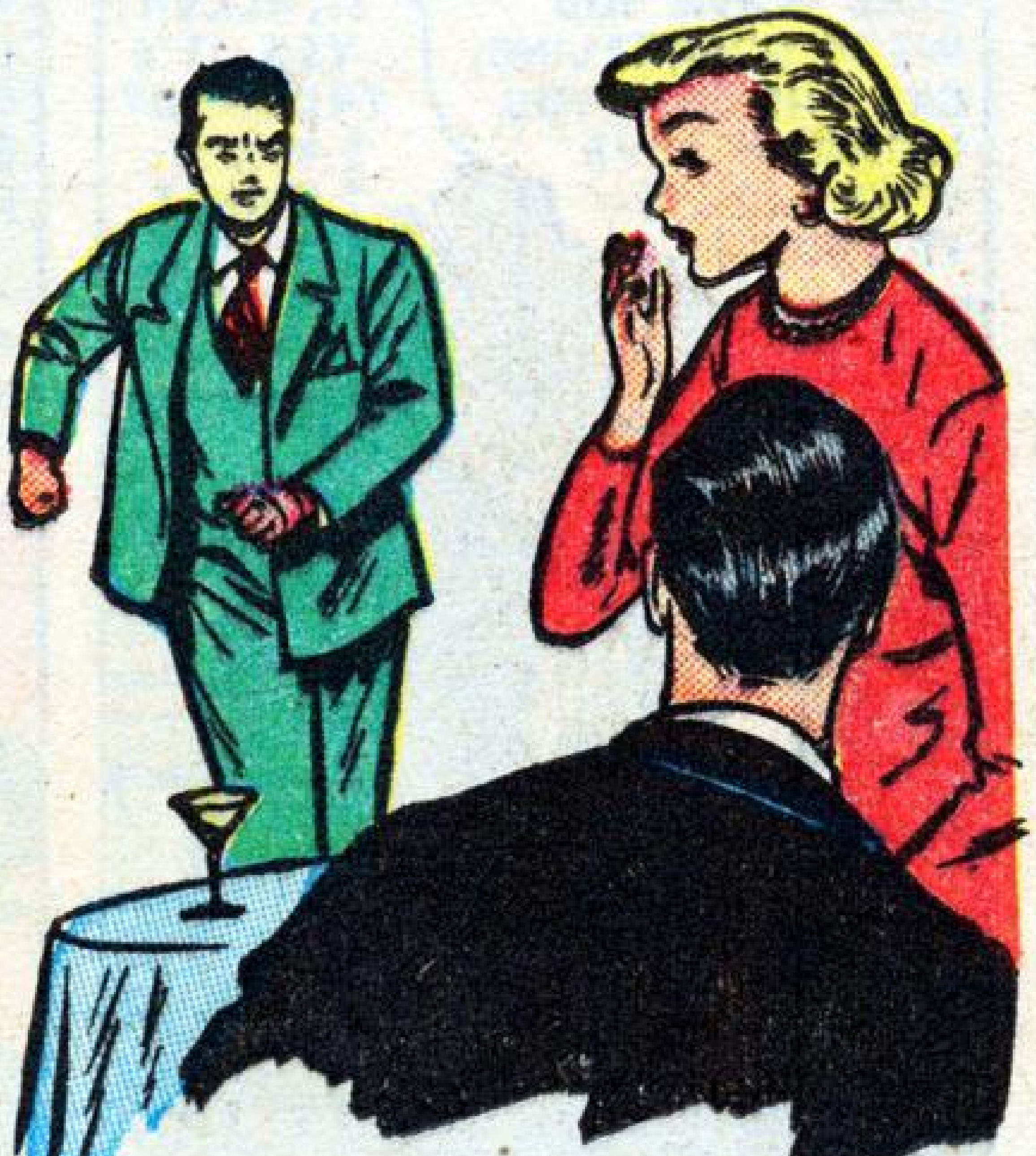
"I'm hungry," I answered. "Let's order."

Nick signaled the waiter and launched into an extensive list of foods, with instructions for the preparation. I knew I should feel a happy anticipation for such a meal, the like of which I had never eaten, but I felt awkward and out of place. *Stop it!* I told myself, and when Nick reached across the table for my hand, I smiled warmly at him. His eyes clung to my face possessively.

"There will be a few minutes' wait," he murmured. "Shall we dance, or would you like to see the rest of this place?"

"You said if I'd come to Mexico City, you'd show me everything," I reminded him. "So let's see everything!"

We rose, and I followed Nick through the maze of tables. Across the room, the headwaiter caught Nick's glance, and nodded. Nick led me through a curtained alcove, down a carpeted hall and through a door, which was closed behind us by a man obviously stationed there to perform that courtesy.



We were in a large room, with four or five round tables about which were clustered groups of people. Nobody looked up as we entered, and as we approached one of the tables I saw the cause of their focused attention—it was a roulette game. I had seen scenes like this in movies, but it still didn't seem quite real. The only sounds were the noise of the spinning wheel and the low murmur of the croupier, and from the other tables the clinking of dice and more murmurs. As the wheel stopped, the stiff attitudes of the people around the table relaxed, and mutterings of disappointment arose, punctuated by one sharp cry of triumph. Nick's hand held my arm in a strong grip and his lips were close to my ear as he asked, "Shall we?"

The first few spins of the wheel I found exciting. Nick's luck was good, and he urged me to make bets for him. But soon I found I was bored, and I realized that I had spoken the truth when I said I was hungry. I plucked at Nick's sleeve, but he only smiled quickly and said, "Just one minute more," and turned back to the game. I tried to shake myself out of my mood, and I moved closer to Nick, and stared at the wheel hoping to find out what was so exciting about this.

My eyes followed the wheel round and round as the moving squares caught the light and reflected crazily in a swirling pattern that made my head reel. It reminded me of something, then I remembered what it was: those bright spots of light going round and round on the juke box at Tony's in Riverside. As I watched, I felt slightly dizzy—and it was the same feeling I'd had the night Winn and I had quarreled.

We'd gone to Tony's for a coke and to dance to the music of a juke box, as we usually did after leaving the newspaper office. But things weren't the same between us—they hadn't

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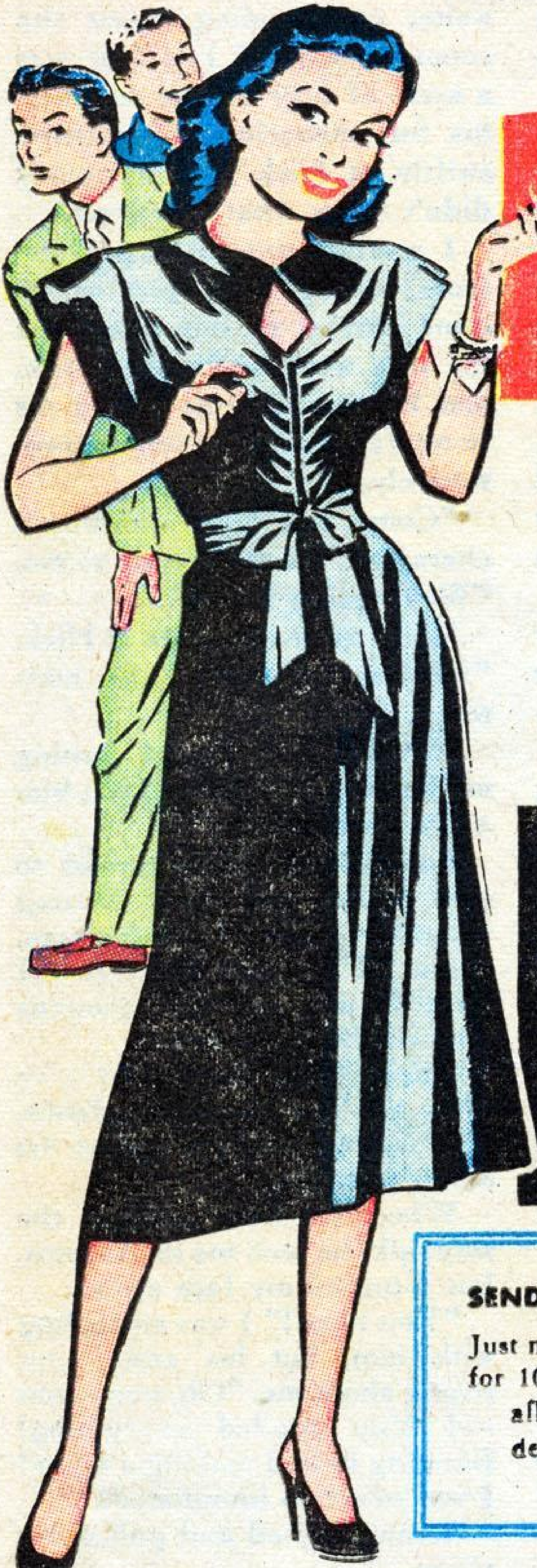

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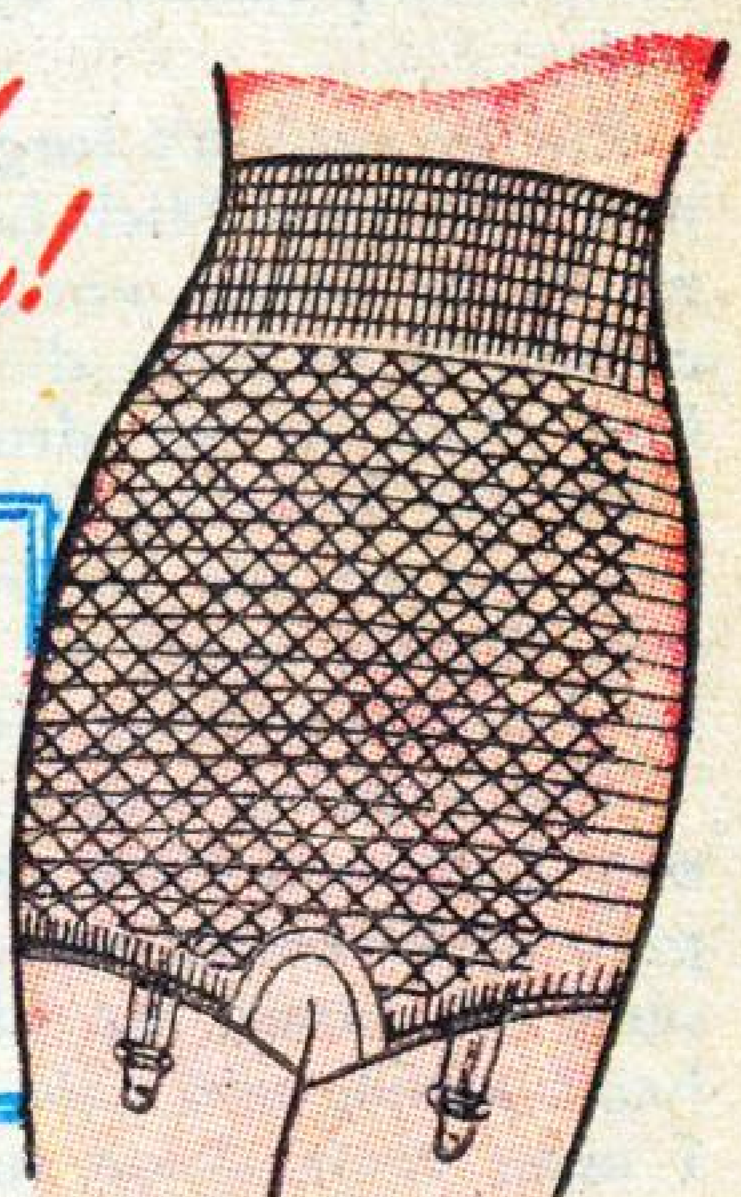

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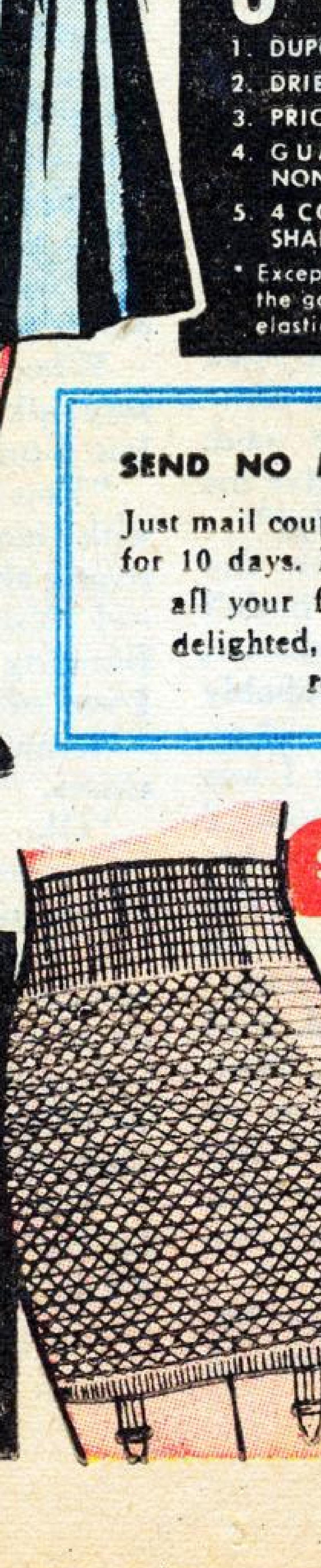

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been since Nick had entered our lives the day before. Winn and I had gone to the town's fancy hotel to interview the usual uninteresting assortment of out-of-towners for the Local News column. Finding a Nicholas Gaston de Marchal registered, Winn had figured him for a Mexico Mystery Man and had wangled an introduction. He regretted it right away, though, I could see that. Nick's eyes had returned again and again to my face, as Winn's scowl deepened, and when we left, Nick had kissed my hand. I was dazzled —Nick was so handsome and suave and unlike the boys I'd known in Riverside, but I was even more impressed when I found how mad the whole thing made Winn.

"Kissing your hand!" he snorted. "That phony! I'll bet his name's phony, and his exporting business, and his villa, and his—"

"Oh, Winn, forget it!" I'd said, mildly amused by the episode.

But he couldn't forget it. All that afternoon Nick had called me at the paper, until I finally consented to have dinner with him. And as we drove away from the building in a cab, I saw, out of the corner of my eye, Winn's scowl as he stood on the steps looking after us.

The evening was a pleasant one. I showed Nick the metropolis of Riverside, and when he took me home, he kissed my hand again, and told me that I must come down to Mexico City soon for a weekend, so he could show me everything in his town. He'd write to me, he said, as he was leaving the next day, and he would not take *no* for an answer. I'd laughed noncommittally, and said good night.

But the next evening in Tony's, Winn had refused to dismiss the evening with Nick lightly. When I told him of Nick's invitation, he had been furious.

"Of all the—!" he'd sputtered. "That smoothie! He's got something up his sleeve!"

"Oh, don't be so silly, Winn!" I'd snapped at him. "It was a perfectly nice thing for him to suggest."

"You'd consider it!" Winn was practically shouting now. "You'd consider going to see a man you don't even know, a man who obviously figures you to be a small-town innocent, easy bait—!"

That made me mad. I stood up, and without even thinking, I'd said the words that finished the discussion, the words that finished everything between Winn and me.

"I certainly would consider it!" I said coldly. "In fact, I've definitely decided to go, tomorrow!"

I had stalked out, leaving Winn speechless behind me. Having said that I was going, I had to follow through, and so here I was, beside a roulette wheel in Mexico City, the last place in the world I wanted to be. The place I really wanted to be was the one place I'd probably never be again—in Winn's arms . . .

I must have sighed, for Nick turned to me solicitously.

"You're hungry!" he said. "What a boor I am! Forgive me —we will dine immediately!"

I was happy to leave the gambling room since I hadn't found it exciting. But the dinner, excellent though it probably was, didn't intrigue me either. Nick kept asking me why I was only picking at my food. I couldn't tell him that it was because I was in love, and that the man I loved would never have anything to do with me again.

When we had finished, and were sipping our coffee, Nick smiled and said, "Ah! Now we will try our luck again!" My heart sank. This wasn't my idea of a gay evening—it wasn't like Tony's . . .

Suddenly a commotion behind me made me turn. I couldn't believe my eyes when I realized that it was Winn, my Winn, throwing off the restraining arms of the headwaiter and striding across the room toward us! His face was a mask of fury and he clenched his fists menacingly. I glanced swiftly at Nick who obviously didn't know what to expect.

I reached out to keep Winn from hitting Nick just as he came abreast of our table, but his fists were unclenched now, and his strong arms pulled me to my feet and encircled me protectively.

"Come on, you dim-witted character!" he said firmly to me. "We're going home!"

Winn turned to glare at Nick. "And as for you—" he muttered.

"Winn . . ." I said putting my hand on his arm to keep him away from Nick.

Surprisingly Winn turned to grin at me, and for a fleeting second as I looked into his eyes, I saw all the love there that I wanted, and all the glamour and all the excitement.

Then Winn turned to give Nick one last glowering glance, and stalked away, dragging me along with him.

When we were out on the sidewalk, he took me in his arms, but I turned my face away.

"You beast!" I was struggling with him, but his arms were strong about me. "Oh, you—you —! You spoiled everything! Bursting in and making a scene! I was never so humiliated!"

Winn laughed and pulled me closer.

"Oh, come on!" he said. "Confess! Now weren't you glad to see me?"

I looked up at him and I couldn't help melting. "I was never so glad to see anyone in my life!" I murmured, but I didn't say any more, as his lips came closer to mine.

"You talk too much," he said. So for the next few minutes I didn't say a single word.

THE END [illegible]

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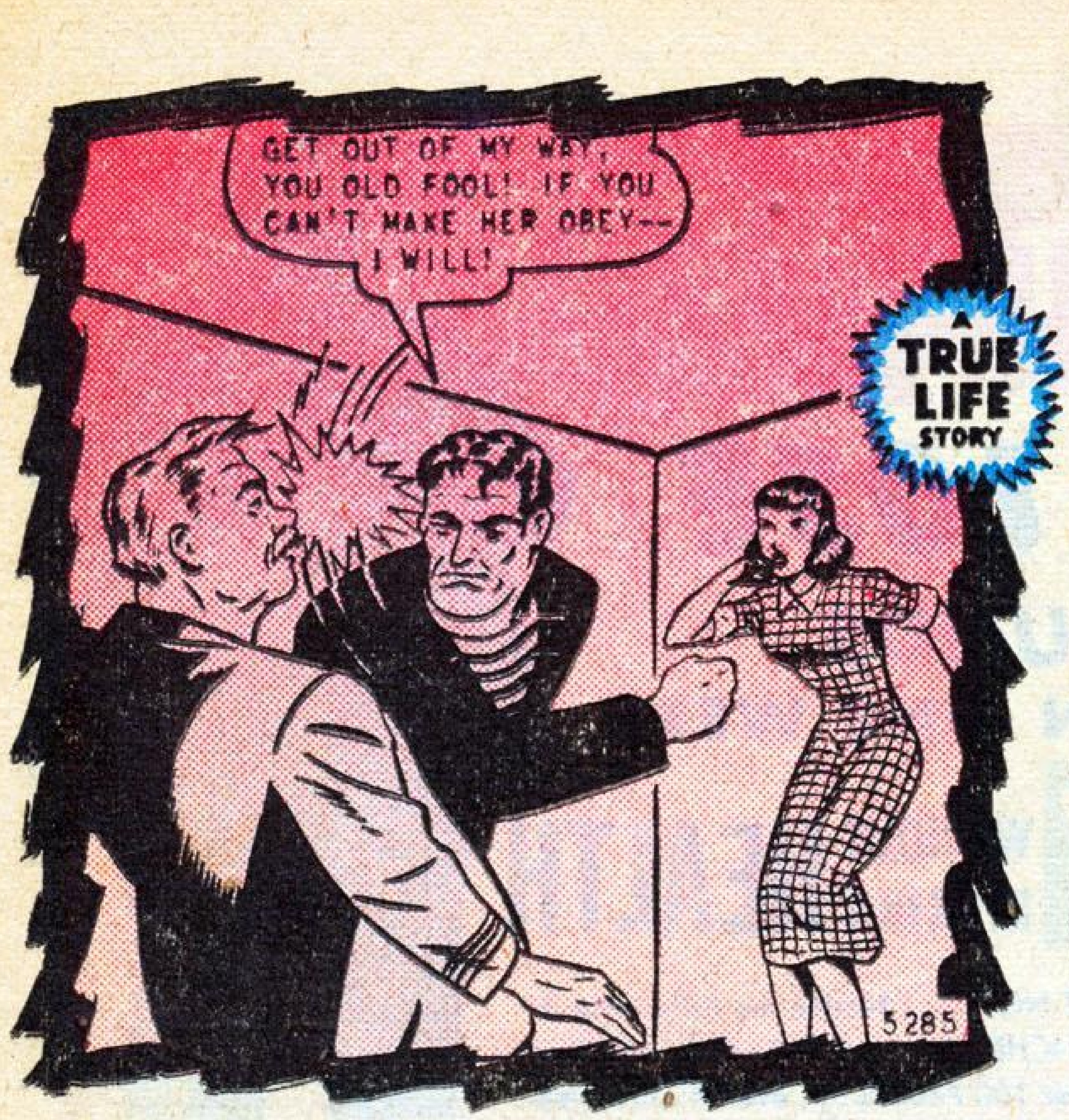
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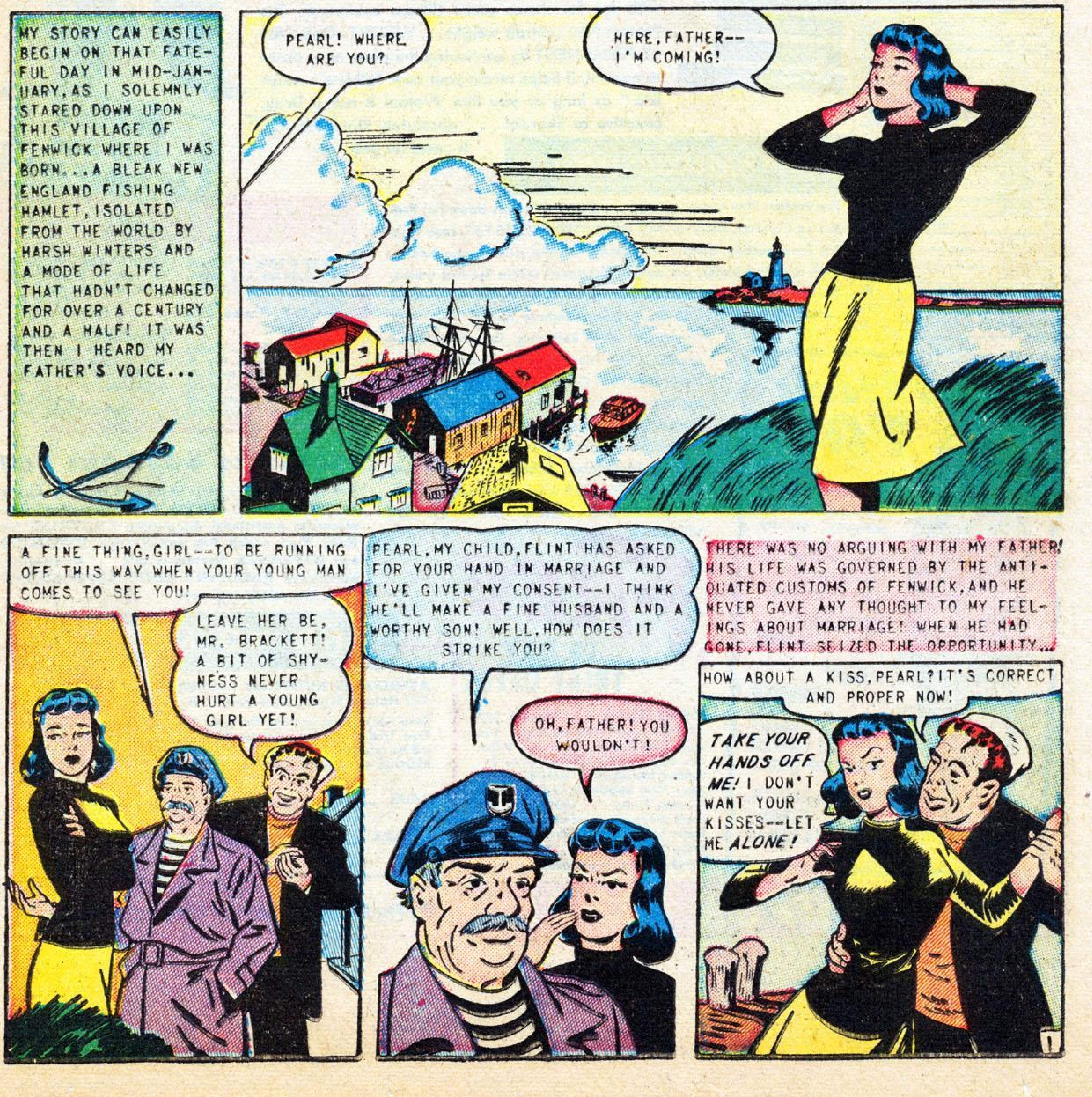
THE ROMANCE THAT COULDN'T BE!


MY STORY CAN EASILY BEGIN ON THAT FATEFUL DAY IN MID-JANUARY, AS I SOLEMNLY STARED DOWN UPON THIS VILLAGE OF FENWICK WHERE I WAS BORN...A BLEAK NEW ENGLAND FISHING HAMLET, ISOLATED FROM THE WORLD BY HARSH WINTERS AND A MODE OF LIFE THAT HADN'T CHANGED FOR OVER A CENTURY AND A HALF! IT WAS THEN I HEARD MY FATHER'S VOICE...
PEARL! WHERE ARE YOU?
HERE, FATHER-- I'M COMING!
A FINE THING, GIRL--TO BE RUNNING OFF THIS WAY WHEN YOUR YOUNG MAN COMES TO SEE YOU!
LEAVE HER BE, MR. BRACKETT! A BIT OF SHYNESS NEVER HURT A YOUNG GIRL YET!
PEARL, MY CHILD, FLINT HAS ASKED FOR YOUR HAND IN MARRIAGE AND I'VE GIVEN MY CONSENT--I THINK HE'LL MAKE A FINE HUSBAND AND A WORTHY SON! WELL, HOW DOES IT STRIKE YOU?
OH, FATHER! YOU WOULDN'T!
THERE WAS NO ARGUING WITH MY FATHER! HIS LIFE WAS GOVERNED BY THE ANTIQUATED CUSTOMS OF FENWICK, AND HE NEVER GAVE ANY THOUGHT TO MY FEELINGS ABOUT MARRIAGE! WHEN HE HAD GONE, FLINT SEIZED THE OPPORTUNITY...
HOW ABOUT A KISS, PEARL? IT'S CORRECT AND PROPER NOW!
TAKE YOUR HANDS OFF ME! I DON'T WANT YOUR KISSES--LET ME ALONE!
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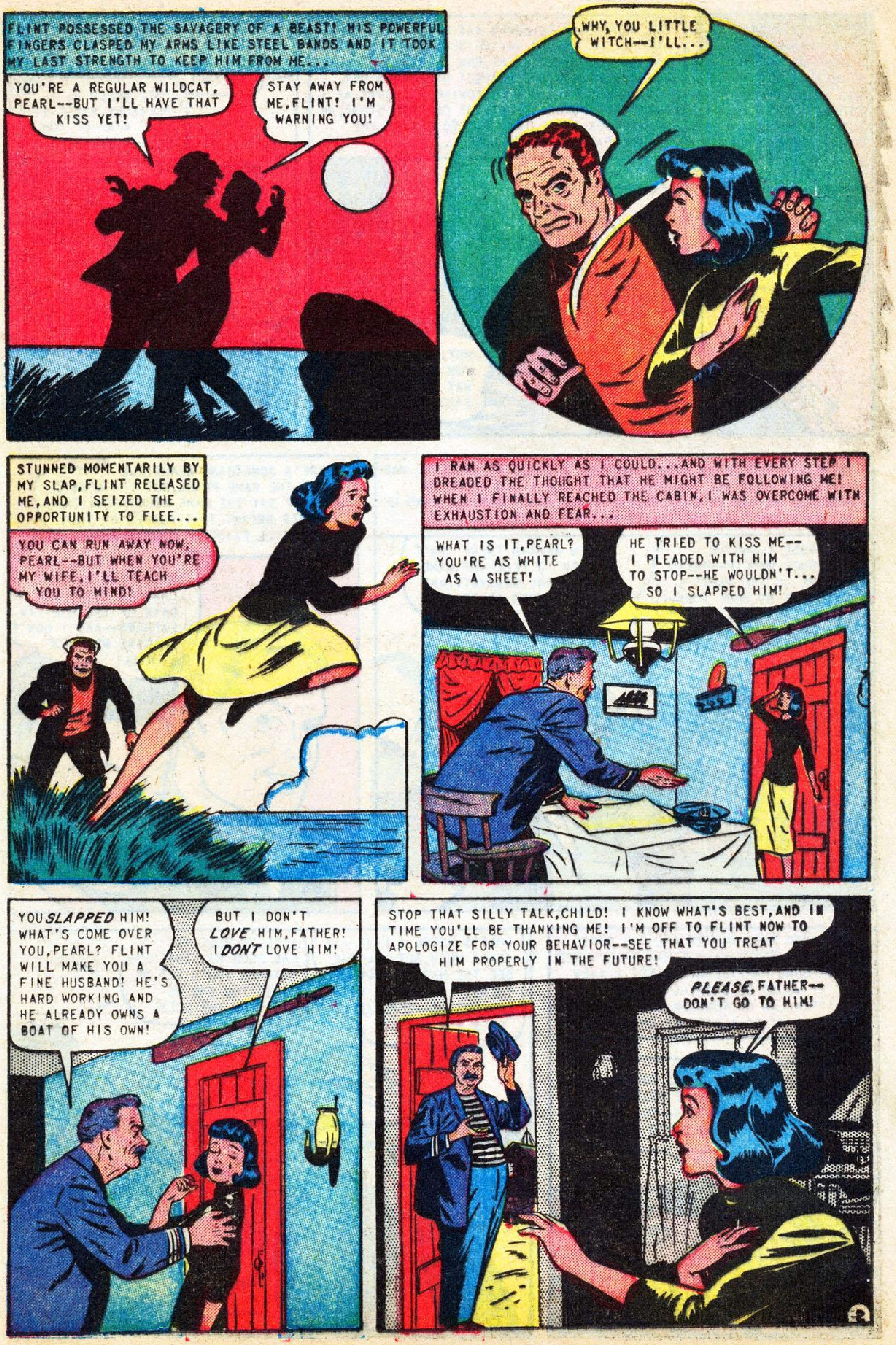
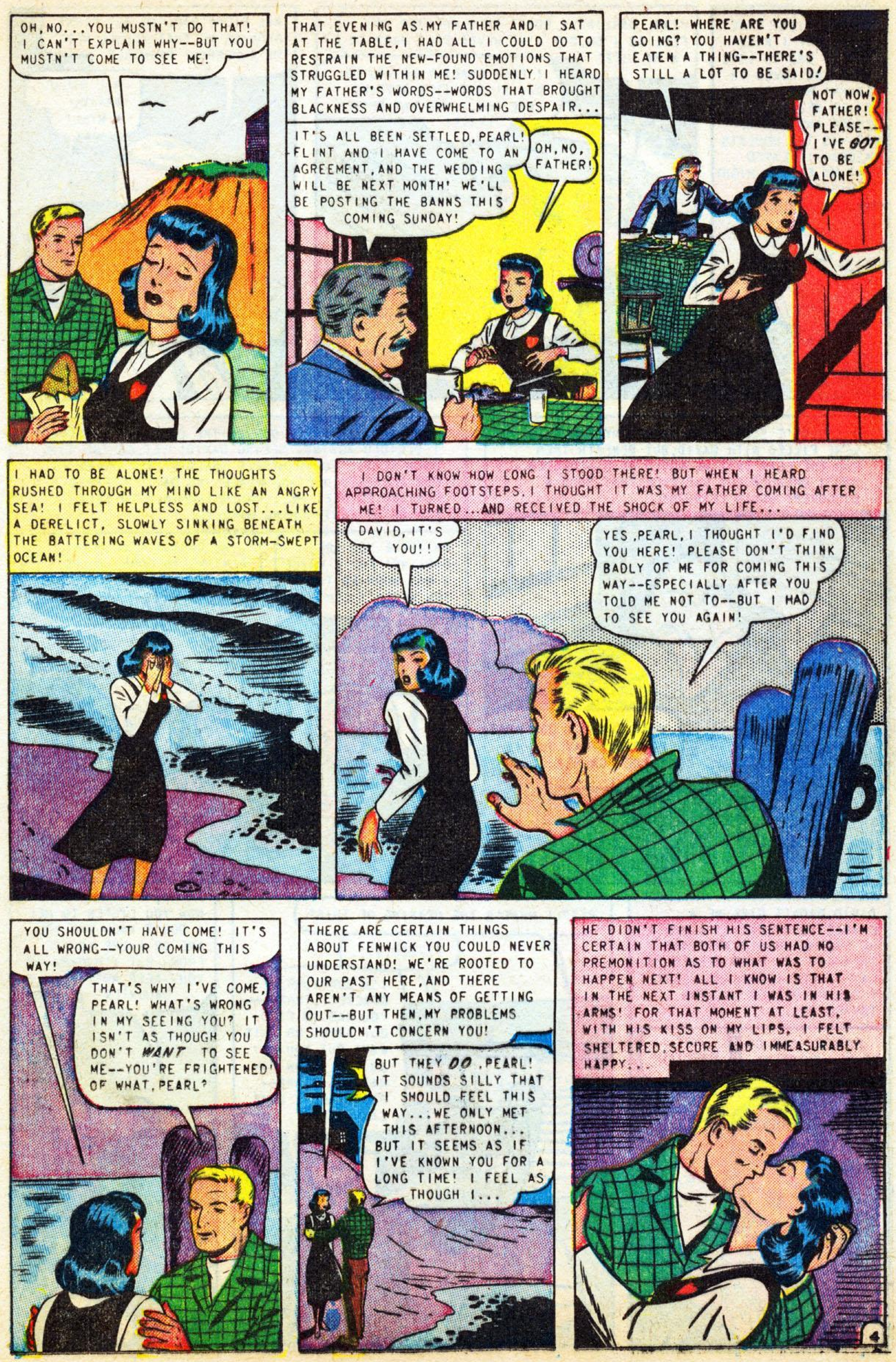
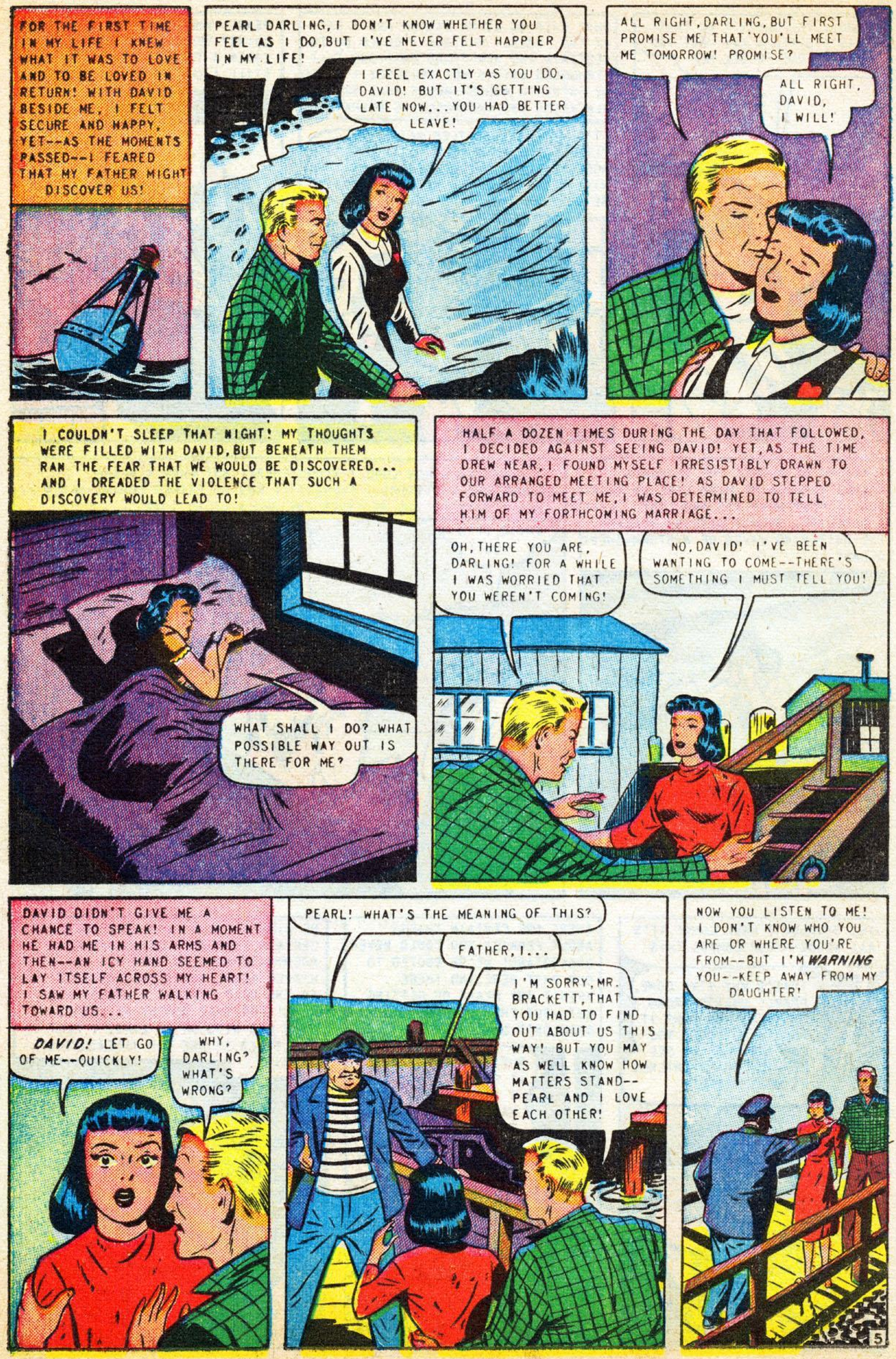
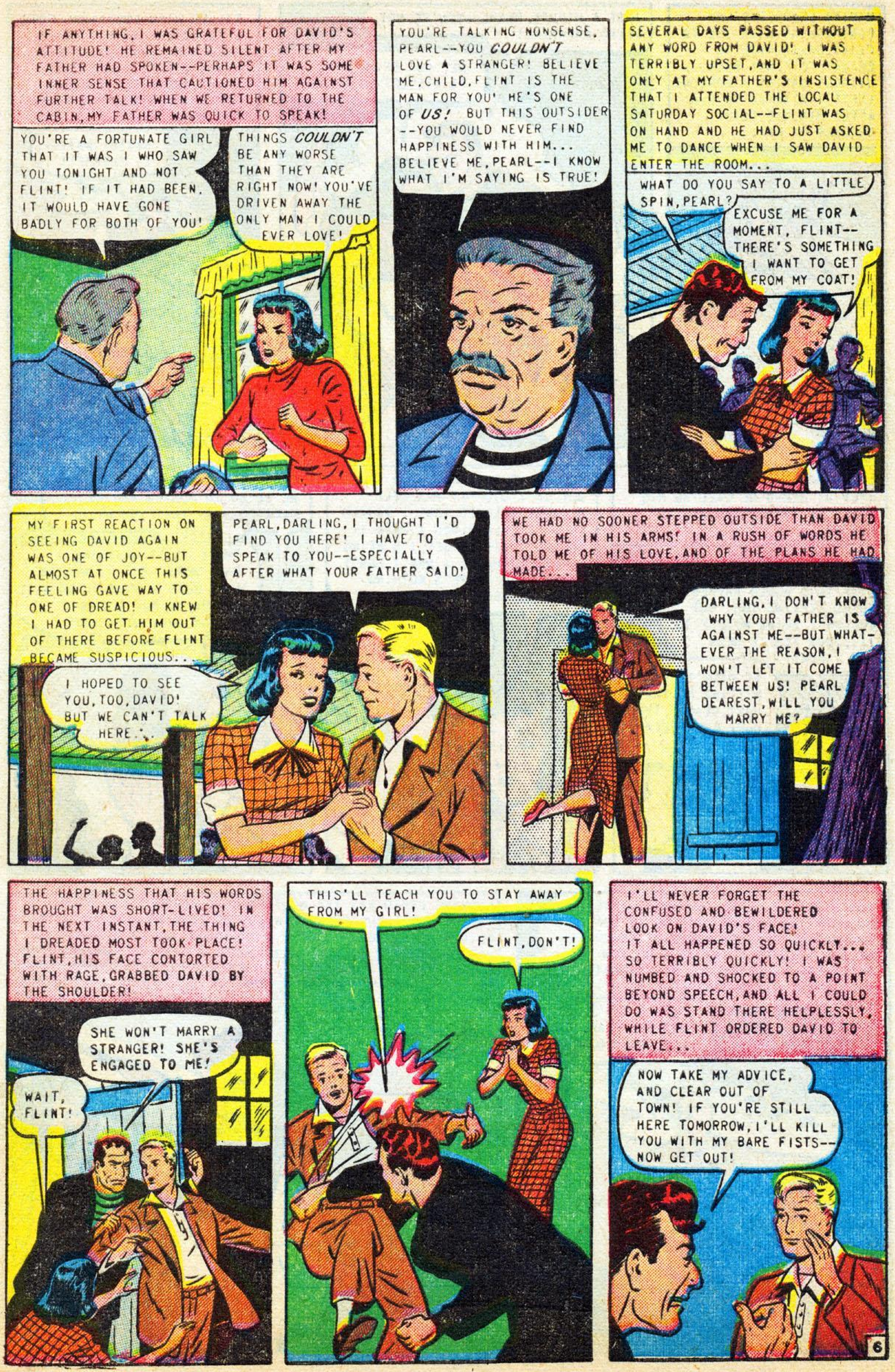

FLINT POSSESSED THE SAVAGERY OF A BEAST! HIS POWERFUL FINGERS CLASPED MY ARMS LIKE STEEL BANDS AND IT TOOK MY LAST STRENGTH TO KEEP HIM FROM ME...
YOU'RE A REGULAR WILDCAT, PEARL--BUT I'LL HAVE THAT KISS YET!
STAY AWAY FROM ME, FLINT! I'M WARNING YOU!
WHY, YOU LITTLE WITCH--I'LL...
STUNNED MOMENTARILY BY MY SLAP, FLINT RELEASED ME, AND I SEIZED THE OPPORTUNITY TO FLEE...
YOU CAN RUN AWAY NOW, PEARL--BUT WHEN YOU'RE MY WIFE, I'LL TEACH YOU TO MIND!
I RAN AS QUICKLY AS I COULD...AND WITH EVERY STEP I DREADED THE THOUGHT THAT HE MIGHT BE FOLLOWING ME! WHEN I FINALLY REACHED THE CABIN, I WAS OVERCOME WITH EXHAUSTION AND FEAR...
WHAT IS IT, PEARL? YOU'RE AS WHITE AS A SHEET!
HE TRIED TO KISS ME--I PLEADED WITH HIM TO STOP--HE WOULDN'T... SO I SLAPPED HIM!
YOU *SLAPPED* HIM! WHAT'S COME OVER YOU, PEARL? FLINT WILL MAKE YOU A FINE HUSBAND! HE'S HARD WORKING AND HE ALREADY OWNS A BOAT OF HIS OWN!
BUT I DON'T *LOVE* HIM, FATHER! I *DON'T* LOVE HIM!
STOP THAT SILLY TALK, CHILD! I KNOW WHAT'S BEST, AND IN TIME YOU'LL BE THANKING ME! I'M OFF TO FLINT NOW TO APOLOGIZE FOR YOUR BEHAVIOR--SEE THAT YOU TREAT HIM PROPERLY IN THE FUTURE!
PLEASE, FATHER--DON'T GO TO HIM!

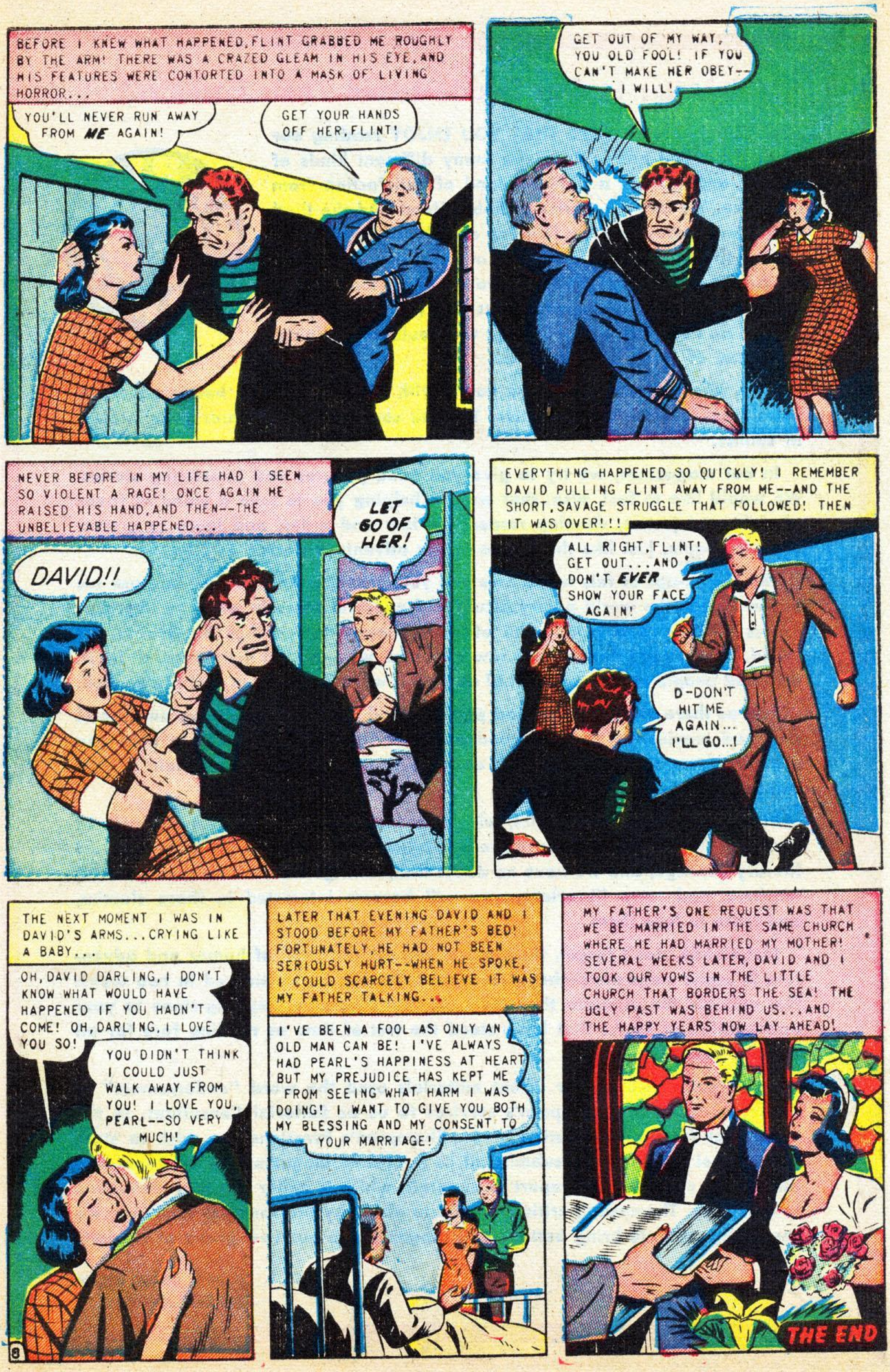
MY FATHER WASN'T A CRUEL MAN--I KNEW HE HAD MY HAPPINESS AT HEART! BUT IN HIS BLIND, HEAD-STRONG MANNER, HE HAD BROUGHT ME UNHAPPINESS SUCH AS I HAD NEVER KNOWN BEFORE...
WHY MUST THINGS BE THIS WAY? WHY SHOULD I HAVE SUCH UNHAPPINESS?
THE WEEK THAT FOLLOWED WAS ONE OF TORMENT FOR ME! MY FATHER, HAVING SUCCEEDED IN MAKING AMENDS FOR ME TO FLINT, NOW INSTRUCTED ME TO TREAT HIM WITH THE RESPECT ONE SHOWS HER BETROTHED! THEN, THE FOLLOWING SATURDAY, AS I MADE SOME PURCHASES AT THE GENERAL STORE, AN EVENT TOOK PLACE THAT WAS TO CHANGE THE ENTIRE PATTERN OF MY LIFE...
ANYTHING I CAN DO FOR YOU, YOUNG FELLA?
WHY, YES! COULD YOU SHOW ME THE WAY TO THE FENWICK CANNERY, PLEASE?
I'LL BE PASSING IT ON THE WAY HOME--IT'S ON THE SAME ROAD! IF YOU LIKE, I CAN POINT IT OUT TO YOU!
THAT WOULD BE A PLEASURE, MISS! IT'S VERY KIND OF YOU TO HELP A STRANGER OUT THIS WAY!
THERE WAS SOMETHING ABOUT HIM THAT I LIKED AT ONCE! HE WAS DIFFERENT FROM ALL THE OTHER YOUNG MEN I HAD KNOWN IN FENWICK! HE HAD AN EASY, FRIENDLY AIR ABOUT HIM...A KIND OF BOYISH CHARM THAT CAPTIVATED ME COMPLETELY...
I SUPPOSE I SHOULD INTRODUCE MYSELF--DAVID RANSOME IS THE NAME! BOSTON IS MY HOME TOWN... I'M AN ENGINEER, AND I'M HERE TO SUPERVISE REPAIRS AT THE CANNERY! NOW TELL ME SOMETHING ABOUT YOURSELF!
I'M AFRAID THERE ISN'T MUCH TO TELL--MY NAME IS PEARL BRACKETT, AND I'VE LIVED IN FENWICK ALL MY LIFE!
THERE'S SOMETHING BEAUTIFUL ABOUT THE NAME PEARL, BUT I'M AFRAID I CAN'T SAY THE SAME ABOUT FENWICK--I NEVER DREAMT THAT PLACES OF THIS KIND STILL EXISTED!
YES IT'S REAL, ALL RIGHT! WE HAVEN'T CHANGED SINCE THE DAYS OF THE PURITAN FATHERS--AND I DON'T IMAGINE WE *EVER* WILL!
WE REACHED THE CANNERY ALL TOO SOON! DURING OUR BRIEF WALK I HAD DISCOVERED A NEW-FOUND HAPPINESS, AND YET I KNEW THAT IT WOULD BE SHORT-LIVED! THE UNWRITTEN LAW OF FENWICK HAD ALREADY COMMITTED ME TO A LIFE OF UNHAPPINESS!
WELL, THIS IS IT!
AND ALL TOO SOON, PEARL! TELL ME, THOUGH--YOU SAID YOU LIVED NEARBY!
FENWICK CANNER
THAT'S WHERE I LIVE--IT ISN'T MUCH, BUT YOU CAN SEE THE HARBOR FROM THERE! I FIND THE VIEW COMFORTING--ESPECIALLY WHEN I'M LONELY!
LONELY? WELL, WE CAN SOON FIX THAT! PERHAPS YOU'D LET ME VISIT YOU AND WE CAN VIEW THE SCENE TOGETHER!


OH, NO...YOU MUSTN'T DO THAT! I CAN'T EXPLAIN WHY--BUT YOU MUSTN'T COME TO SEE ME!
THAT EVENING AS MY FATHER AND I SAT AT THE TABLE, I HAD ALL I COULD DO TO RESTRAIN THE NEW-FOUND EMOTIONS THAT STRUGGLED WITHIN ME! SUDDENLY I HEARD MY FATHER'S WORDS--WORDS THAT BROUGHT BLACKNESS AND OVERWHELMING DESPAIR...
IT'S ALL BEEN SETTLED, PEARL! FLINT AND I HAVE COME TO AN AGREEMENT, AND THE WEDDING WILL BE NEXT MONTH! WE'LL BE POSTING THE BANNS THIS COMING SUNDAY!
OH, NO, FATHER!
PEARL! WHERE ARE YOU GOING? YOU HAVEN'T EATEN A THING--THERE'S STILL A LOT TO BE SAID!
NOT NOW, FATHER! PLEASE--I'VE *GOT* TO BE ALONE!
I HAD TO BE ALONE! THE THOUGHTS RUSHED THROUGH MY MIND LIKE AN ANGRY SEA! I FELT HELPLESS AND LOST...LIKE A DERELICT, SLOWLY SINKING BENEATH THE BATTERING WAVES OF A STORM-SWEPT OCEAN!
I DON'T KNOW HOW LONG I STOOD THERE! BUT WHEN I HEARD APPROACHING FOOTSTEPS, I THOUGHT IT WAS MY FATHER COMING AFTER ME! I TURNED...AND RECEIVED THE SHOCK OF MY LIFE...
DAVID, IT'S YOU!!
YES, PEARL, I THOUGHT I'D FIND YOU HERE! PLEASE DON'T THINK BADLY OF ME FOR COMING THIS WAY--ESPECIALLY AFTER YOU TOLD ME NOT TO--BUT I HAD TO SEE YOU AGAIN!
YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE COME! IT'S ALL WRONG--YOUR COMING THIS WAY!
THAT'S WHY I'VE COME, PEARL! WHAT'S WRONG IN MY SEEING YOU? IT ISN'T AS THOUGH YOU DON'T *WANT* TO SEE ME--YOU'RE FRIGHTENED! OF WHAT, PEARL?
THERE ARE CERTAIN THINGS ABOUT FENWICK YOU COULD NEVER UNDERSTAND! WE'RE ROOTED TO OUR PAST HERE, AND THERE AREN'T ANY MEANS OF GETTING OUT--BUT THEN, MY PROBLEMS SHOULDN'T CONCERN YOU!
BUT THEY *DO*, PEARL! IT SOUNDS SILLY THAT I SHOULD FEEL THIS WAY...WE ONLY MET THIS AFTERNOON... BUT IT SEEMS AS IF I'VE KNOWN YOU FOR A LONG TIME! I FEEL AS THOUGH I...
HE DIDN'T FINISH HIS SENTENCE--I'M CERTAIN THAT BOTH OF US HAD NO PREMONITION AS TO WHAT WAS TO HAPPEN NEXT! ALL I KNOW IS THAT IN THE NEXT INSTANT I WAS IN HIS ARMS! FOR THAT MOMENT AT LEAST, WITH HIS KISS ON MY LIPS, I FELT SHELTERED, SECURE AND IMMEASURABLY HAPPY...


FOR THE FIRST TIME IN MY LIFE I KNEW WHAT IT WAS TO LOVE AND TO BE LOVED IN RETURN! WITH DAVID BESIDE ME, I FELT SECURE AND HAPPY. YET--AS THE MOMENTS PASSED--I FEARED THAT MY FATHER MIGHT DISCOVER US!
PEARL DARLING, I DON'T KNOW WHETHER YOU FEEL AS I DO, BUT I'VE NEVER FELT HAPPIER IN MY LIFE!
I FEEL EXACTLY AS YOU DO, DAVID! BUT IT'S GETTING LATE NOW... YOU HAD BETTER LEAVE!
ALL RIGHT, DARLING, BUT FIRST PROMISE ME THAT YOU'LL MEET ME TOMORROW! PROMISE?
ALL RIGHT, DAVID, I WILL!
I COULDN'T SLEEP THAT NIGHT! MY THOUGHTS WERE FILLED WITH DAVID, BUT BENEATH THEM RAN THE FEAR THAT WE WOULD BE DISCOVERED... AND I DREADED THE VIOLENCE THAT SUCH A DISCOVERY WOULD LEAD TO!
WHAT SHALL I DO? WHAT POSSIBLE WAY OUT IS THERE FOR ME?
HALF A DOZEN TIMES DURING THE DAY THAT FOLLOWED, I DECIDED AGAINST SEEING DAVID! YET, AS THE TIME DREW NEAR, I FOUND MYSELF IRRESISTIBLY DRAWN TO OUR ARRANGED MEETING PLACE! AS DAVID STEPPED FORWARD TO MEET ME, I WAS DETERMINED TO TELL HIM OF MY FORTHCOMING MARRIAGE...
OH, THERE YOU ARE, DARLING! FOR A WHILE I WAS WORRIED THAT YOU WEREN'T COMING!
NO, DAVID! I'VE BEEN WANTING TO COME--THERE'S SOMETHING I MUST TELL YOU!
DAVID DIDN'T GIVE ME A CHANCE TO SPEAK! IN A MOMENT HE HAD ME IN HIS ARMS AND THEN--AN ICY HAND SEEMED TO LAY ITSELF ACROSS MY HEART! I SAW MY FATHER WALKING TOWARD US...
DAVID! LET GO OF ME--QUICKLY!
WHY, DARLING? WHAT'S WRONG?
PEARL! WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS?
FATHER, I...
I'M SORRY, MR. BRACKETT, THAT YOU HAD TO FIND OUT ABOUT US THIS WAY! BUT YOU MAY AS WELL KNOW HOW MATTERS STAND--PEARL AND I LOVE EACH OTHER!
NOW YOU LISTEN TO ME! I DON'T KNOW WHO YOU ARE OR WHERE YOU'RE FROM--BUT I'M *WARNING* YOU--KEEP AWAY FROM MY DAUGHTER!


IF ANYTHING, I WAS GRATEFUL FOR DAVID'S ATTITUDE! HE REMAINED SILENT AFTER MY FATHER HAD SPOKEN--PERHAPS IT WAS SOME INNER SENSE THAT CAUTIONED HIM AGAINST FURTHER TALK! WHEN WE RETURNED TO THE CABIN, MY FATHER WAS QUICK TO SPEAK!
YOU'RE A FORTUNATE GIRL THAT IT WAS I WHO SAW YOU TONIGHT AND NOT FLINT! IF IT HAD BEEN, IT WOULD HAVE GONE BADLY FOR BOTH OF YOU!
THINGS *COULDN'T* BE ANY WORSE THAN THEY ARE RIGHT NOW! YOU'VE DRIVEN AWAY THE ONLY MAN I COULD EVER LOVE!
YOU'RE TALKING NONSENSE, PEARL--YOU *COULDN'T* LOVE A STRANGER! BELIEVE ME, CHILD, FLINT IS THE MAN FOR YOU! HE'S ONE OF *US!* BUT THIS OUTSIDER --YOU WOULD NEVER FIND HAPPINESS WITH HIM... BELIEVE ME, PEARL--I KNOW WHAT I'M SAYING IS TRUE!
SEVERAL DAYS PASSED WITHOUT ANY WORD FROM DAVID! I WAS TERRIBLY UPSET, AND IT WAS ONLY AT MY FATHER'S INSISTENCE THAT I ATTENDED THE LOCAL SATURDAY SOCIAL--FLINT WAS ON HAND AND HE HAD JUST ASKED ME TO DANCE WHEN I SAW DAVID ENTER THE ROOM...
WHAT DO YOU SAY TO A LITTLE SPIN, PEARL?
EXCUSE ME FOR A MOMENT, FLINT--THERE'S SOMETHING I WANT TO GET FROM MY COAT!
MY FIRST REACTION ON SEEING DAVID AGAIN WAS ONE OF JOY--BUT ALMOST AT ONCE THIS FEELING GAVE WAY TO ONE OF DREAD! I KNEW I HAD TO GET HIM OUT OF THERE BEFORE FLINT BECAME SUSPICIOUS...
PEARL, DARLING, I THOUGHT I'D FIND YOU HERE! I HAVE TO SPEAK TO YOU--ESPECIALLY AFTER WHAT YOUR FATHER SAID!
I HOPED TO SEE YOU, TOO, DAVID! BUT WE CAN'T TALK HERE...
WE HAD NO SOONER STEPPED OUTSIDE THAN DAVID TOOK ME IN HIS ARMS! IN A RUSH OF WORDS HE TOLD ME OF HIS LOVE, AND OF THE PLANS HE HAD MADE...
DARLING, I DON'T KNOW WHY YOUR FATHER IS AGAINST ME--BUT WHATEVER THE REASON, I WON'T LET IT COME BETWEEN US! PEARL DEAREST, WILL YOU MARRY ME?
THE HAPPINESS THAT HIS WORDS BROUGHT WAS SHORT-LIVED! IN THE NEXT INSTANT, THE THING I DREADED MOST TOOK PLACE! FLINT, HIS FACE CONTORTED WITH RAGE, GRABBED DAVID BY THE SHOULDER!
SHE WON'T MARRY A STRANGER! SHE'S ENGAGED TO ME!
WAIT, FLINT!
THIS'LL TEACH YOU TO STAY AWAY FROM MY GIRL!
FLINT, DON'T!
I'LL NEVER FORGET THE CONFUSED AND BEWILDERED LOOK ON DAVID'S FACE! IT ALL HAPPENED SO QUICKLY... SO TERRIBLY QUICKLY! I WAS NUMBED AND SHOCKED TO A POINT BEYOND SPEECH, AND ALL I COULD DO WAS STAND THERE HELPLESSLY, WHILE FLINT ORDERED DAVID TO LEAVE...
NOW TAKE MY ADVICE, AND CLEAR OUT OF TOWN! IF YOU'RE STILL HERE TOMORROW, I'LL KILL YOU WITH MY BARE FISTS--NOW GET OUT!

HAVING LEARNED OF MY FORTHCOMING MARRIAGE TO FLINT, DAVID MADE NO EFFORT TO FIGHT BACK... WITHOUT SAYING A WORD, HE LEFT! I STARTED TO RUN AFTER HIM, BUT FLINT BLOCKED MY WAY...
JUST A MINUTE, PEARL--YOU'RE NOT GOING ANYWHERE!
GET OUT OF MY WAY, FLINT! LET GO OF ME!
FILLED WITH EMOTIONAL FURY, I FOUND STRENGTH I NEVER KNEW I POSSESSED! WITH A FINAL EFFORT I GOT PAST FLINT, AND A FEW MINUTES LATER I WAS RUNNING DOWN THE ROAD...
DAVID! WAIT-- PLEASE!!
DAVID HADN'T GOTTEN FAR, AND WHEN HE HEARD ME CALLING HIS NAME, HE TURNED AND WAITED FOR ME...
OH, DAVID DARLING! I WAS SO TERRIBLY AFRAID SOMETHING LIKE THIS WOULD HAPPEN--I TRIED TELLING YOU, BUT I COULDN'T BRING MYSELF TO IT... NOW YOU'VE BEEN HURT!
IT WASN'T FLINT HITTING ME THAT HURT, PEARL! THE HURT GOES DEEPER THAN THAT...
YES, DAVID, I'VE HURT YOU TOO! BUT IF I DID--IT WAS ONLY BECAUSE I LOVED YOU! I WANTED YOU--YET ALL ALONG I KNEW IT COULDN'T BE! YOU SEE, I'M BEING FORCED TO MARRY A MAN I DON'T LOVE... AND THERE'S NOTHING I CAN DO ABOUT IT... NOTHING!
THERE *IS* SOMETHING YOU CAN DO!
...YOU CAN COME AWAY WITH ME! WE'LL GO TO BOSTON AND BE MARRIED--SAY THAT YOU WILL, PEARL!
THERE ISN'T ANYTHING I WANT MORE--BUT IT WOULDN'T WORK OUT! I WANT TO GO WITH YOU, DAVID, BUT I *CAN'T* RUN AWAY WITH YOU!
YOU'D BETTER LEAVE TOMORROW--I'VE BROUGHT YOU ENOUGH PAIN AS IT IS! THE THOUGHT OF FURTHER VIOLENCE FRIGHTENS ME, AND KNOWING FLINT AS I DO, I'M SURE HE'LL TRY TO CARRY OUT HIS THREAT! THIS IS GOOD-BYE, DAVID--AND FORGIVE ME IF YOU CAN!
BUT IT CAN'T BE GOOD-BYE, PEARL! WE LOVE EACH OTHER!
LEAVING DAVID WAS THE MOST PAINFUL THING I HAD EVER EXPERIENCED! THE PROVINCIALISM OF FENWICK AND MY FATHER'S BLIND INSISTENCE HAD DONE A THOROUGH JOB OF DESTROYING MY ONLY CHANCE AT HAPPINESS! WHEN I FINALLY ARRIVED HOME, ANOTHER SHOCK AWAITED ME...
THERE SHE IS! I'LL TEACH YA TO RUN OFF ON ME!


BEFORE I KNEW WHAT HAPPENED, FLINT GRABBED ME ROUGHLY BY THE ARM! THERE WAS A CRAZED GLEAM IN HIS EYE, AND HIS FEATURES WERE CONTORTED INTO A MASK OF LIVING HORROR...
YOU'LL NEVER RUN AWAY FROM **ME** AGAIN!
GET YOUR HANDS OFF HER, FLINT!
GET OUT OF MY WAY, YOU OLD FOOL! IF YOU CAN'T MAKE HER OBEY-- I WILL!
NEVER BEFORE IN MY LIFE HAD I SEEN SO VIOLENT A RAGE! ONCE AGAIN HE RAISED HIS HAND, AND THEN--THE UNBELIEVABLE HAPPENED...
LET GO OF HER!
DAVID!!
EVERYTHING HAPPENED SO QUICKLY! I REMEMBER DAVID PULLING FLINT AWAY FROM ME--AND THE SHORT, SAVAGE STRUGGLE THAT FOLLOWED! THEN IT WAS OVER!!!
ALL RIGHT, FLINT! GET OUT...AND DON'T **EVER** SHOW YOUR FACE AGAIN!
D-DON'T HIT ME AGAIN... I'LL GO...!
THE NEXT MOMENT I WAS IN DAVID'S ARMS...CRYING LIKE A BABY...
OH, DAVID DARLING, I DON'T KNOW WHAT WOULD HAVE HAPPENED IF YOU HADN'T COME! OH, DARLING, I LOVE YOU SO!
YOU DIDN'T THINK I COULD JUST WALK AWAY FROM YOU! I LOVE YOU, PEARL--SO VERY MUCH!
LATER THAT EVENING DAVID AND I STOOD BEFORE MY FATHER'S BED! FORTUNATELY, HE HAD NOT BEEN SERIOUSLY HURT--WHEN HE SPOKE, I COULD SCARCELY BELIEVE IT WAS MY FATHER TALKING...
I'VE BEEN A FOOL AS ONLY AN OLD MAN CAN BE! I'VE ALWAYS HAD PEARL'S HAPPINESS AT HEART BUT MY PREJUDICE HAS KEPT ME FROM SEEING WHAT HARM I WAS DOING! I WANT TO GIVE YOU BOTH MY BLESSING AND MY CONSENT TO YOUR MARRIAGE!
MY FATHER'S ONE REQUEST WAS THAT WE BE MARRIED IN THE SAME CHURCH WHERE HE HAD MARRIED MY MOTHER! SEVERAL WEEKS LATER, DAVID AND I TOOK OUR VOWS IN THE LITTLE CHURCH THAT BORDERS THE SEA! THE UGLY PAST WAS BEHIND US...AND THE HAPPY YEARS NOW LAY AHEAD!
THE END

"A Letter to Our Readers and Their Parents!"

IT IS OUR EARNEST HOPE THAT YOU ENJOY reading our magazines. You know, there are many different kinds of stories, and we get a different kind of satisfaction from each one. We like the stories of Robin Hood and the Iliad of Homer, because we can imagine ourselves heroes, overcoming the enemy. We like stories of great men in history, because they make us ambitious to do good, kind deeds. We like stories of mischievous boys like Tom Sawyer, because Tom does many of the things we would enjoy doing, but some of them we cannot do.

Some of you probably choose books with a lot of pictures, because the pictures seem to make the story live. That, to some extent, explains your interest in comics.

In our magazines, we try to give you good pictures and interesting stories. We would like to feel, also, that we are helping you to take a stand in favor of right and justice, develop respect for law and order, and learn to protect weaker people, just like the heroes in our adventure stories.

The grown-ups of this world owe you young people an apology, because we haven't made the world a very secure and peaceful place in which to live. Our comics portray, it is true, some of the unhappy things that happen in the world. But they are things you know about anyway—and in the stories, at least, the good people always win. All of us wish it were that way in real life as well.

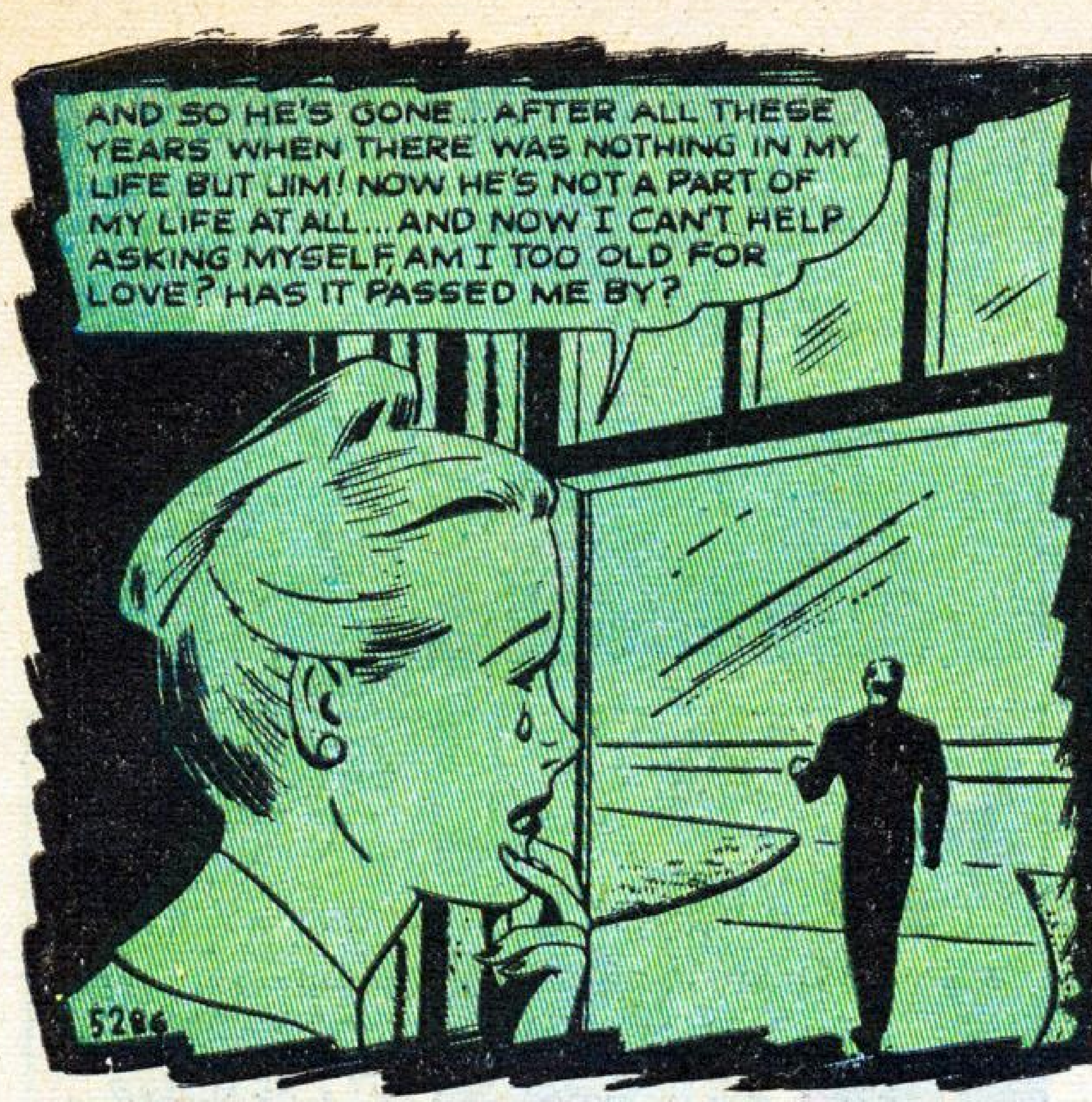
Just as there are good and bad people, good and bad radio programs, good and bad movies, so there is good and bad literature. In order to help you always choose the good, we will continue to do our best to maintain a high standard in our own magazines.

Please remember that comics, with their many pictures, are just one type of literature. We also want you to grow familiar with the great books in our vast literary heritage, and we have no doubt that, with guidance from your parents, teachers, and town librarians, you *will* become interested in those classics, and learn to love them.

Meanwhile, don't forget, though you can get the thrill of humor and adventure in comic magazines—they should, nonetheless, be considered in two ways: Not only for the pleasure they give you, but also as a stepping-stone to your appreciation of books that have stood the test of time as reading fare for all people, young and old.

Incidentally, one of our recent editorials used the word "endorsement" in connection with Dr. Thompson's services to us as Editorial Consultant. In the interest of further clarification of Dr. Thompson's functions, we wish to state that Marvel Comic Group submits all its published magazines to Dr. Thompson for review, criticism, and report to our staff, which is under constant instruction to accept Dr. Thompson's criticisms, and to abide by the same. In this way, we constantly strive to bring better comic magazines to our vast group of readers.

MARVEL COMIC GROUP
THE EDITORS


AND SO HE'S GONE... AFTER ALL THESE YEARS WHEN THERE WAS NOTHING IN MY LIFE BUT JIM! NOW HE'S NOT A PART OF MY LIFE AT ALL... AND NOW I CAN'T HELP ASKING MYSELF, AM I TOO OLD FOR LOVE? HAS IT PASSED ME BY?
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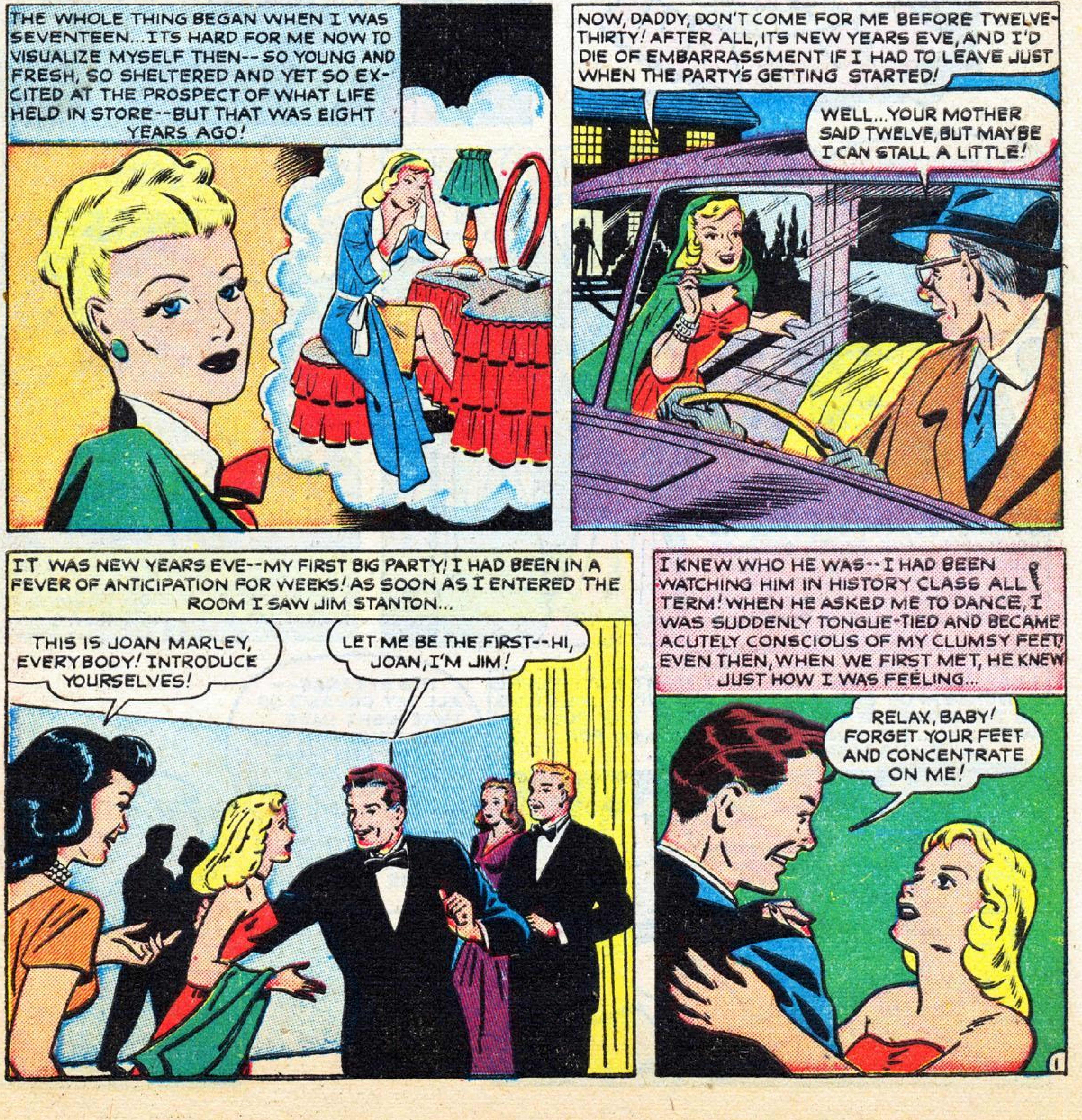
ABOVE ALL, I LONGED FOR LOVE AND ROMANCE! WHY WAS I DESTINED NEVER TO REALIZE MY HAPPY DREAM? WHY DID I SEEM FATED TO ALWAYS BE...

"THE ONE WHO WAITED!"

A TRUE LIFE STORY


THE WHOLE THING BEGAN WHEN I WAS SEVENTEEN... ITS HARD FOR ME NOW TO VISUALIZE MYSELF THEN-- SO YOUNG AND FRESH, SO SHELTERED AND YET SO EXCITED AT THE PROSPECT OF WHAT LIFE HELD IN STORE--BUT THAT WAS EIGHT YEARS AGO!
NOW, DADDY, DON'T COME FOR ME BEFORE TWELVE-THIRTY! AFTER ALL, ITS NEW YEARS EVE, AND I'D DIE OF EMBARRASSMENT IF I HAD TO LEAVE JUST WHEN THE PARTY'S GETTING STARTED!
WELL... YOUR MOTHER SAID TWELVE, BUT MAYBE I CAN STALL A LITTLE!
IT WAS NEW YEARS EVE--MY FIRST BIG PARTY! I HAD BEEN IN A FEVER OF ANTICIPATION FOR WEEKS! AS SOON AS I ENTERED THE ROOM I SAW JIM STANTON...
THIS IS JOAN MARLEY, EVERYBODY! INTRODUCE YOURSELVES!
LET ME BE THE FIRST--HI, JOAN, I'M JIM!
I KNEW WHO HE WAS-- I HAD BEEN WATCHING HIM IN HISTORY CLASS ALL TERM! WHEN HE ASKED ME TO DANCE, I WAS SUDDENLY TONGUE-TIED AND BECAME ACUTELY CONSCIOUS OF MY CLUMSY FEET! EVEN THEN, WHEN WE FIRST MET, HE KNEW JUST HOW I WAS FEELING...
RELAX, BABY! FORGET YOUR FEET AND CONCENTRATE ON ME!
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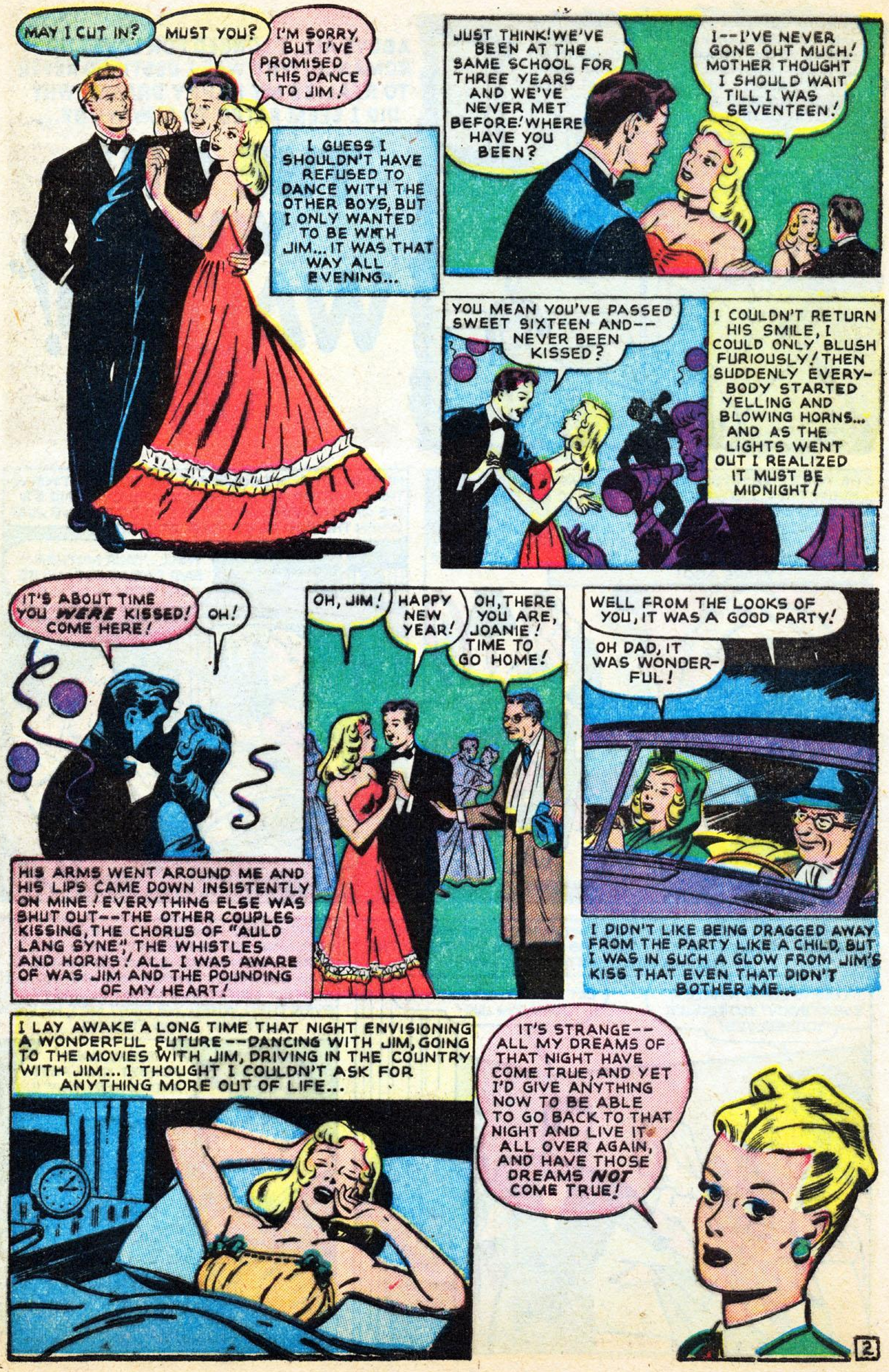
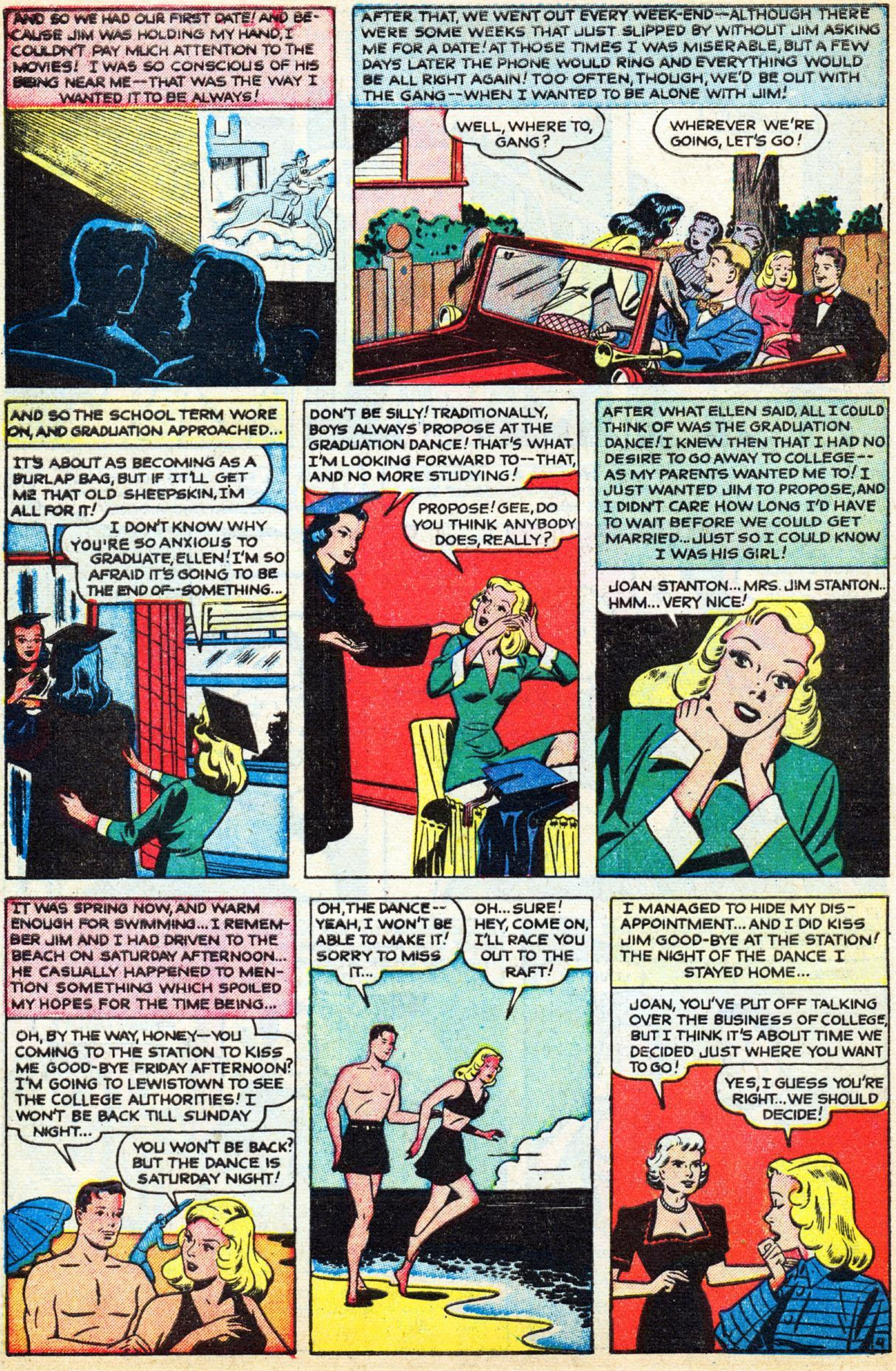
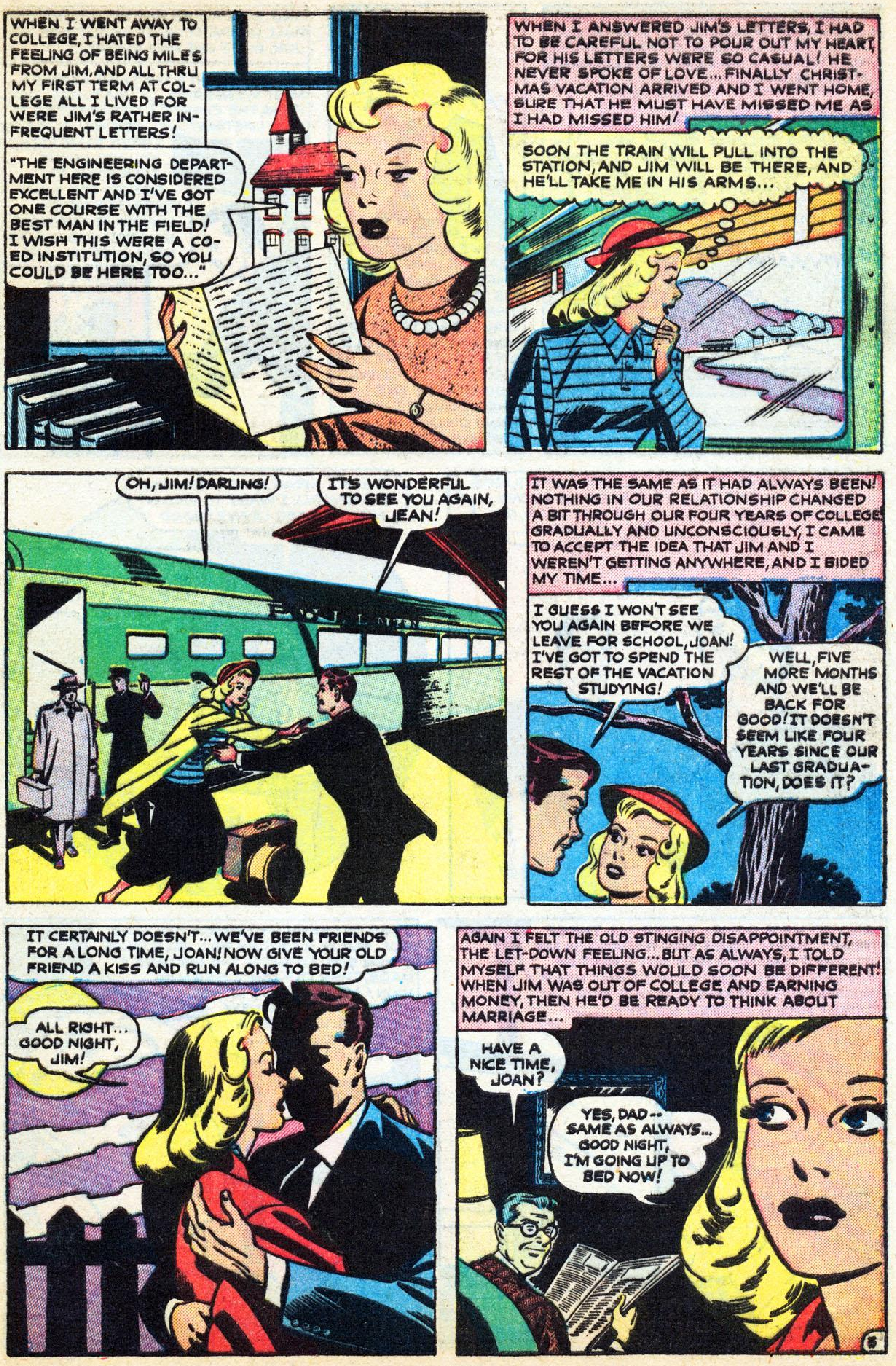
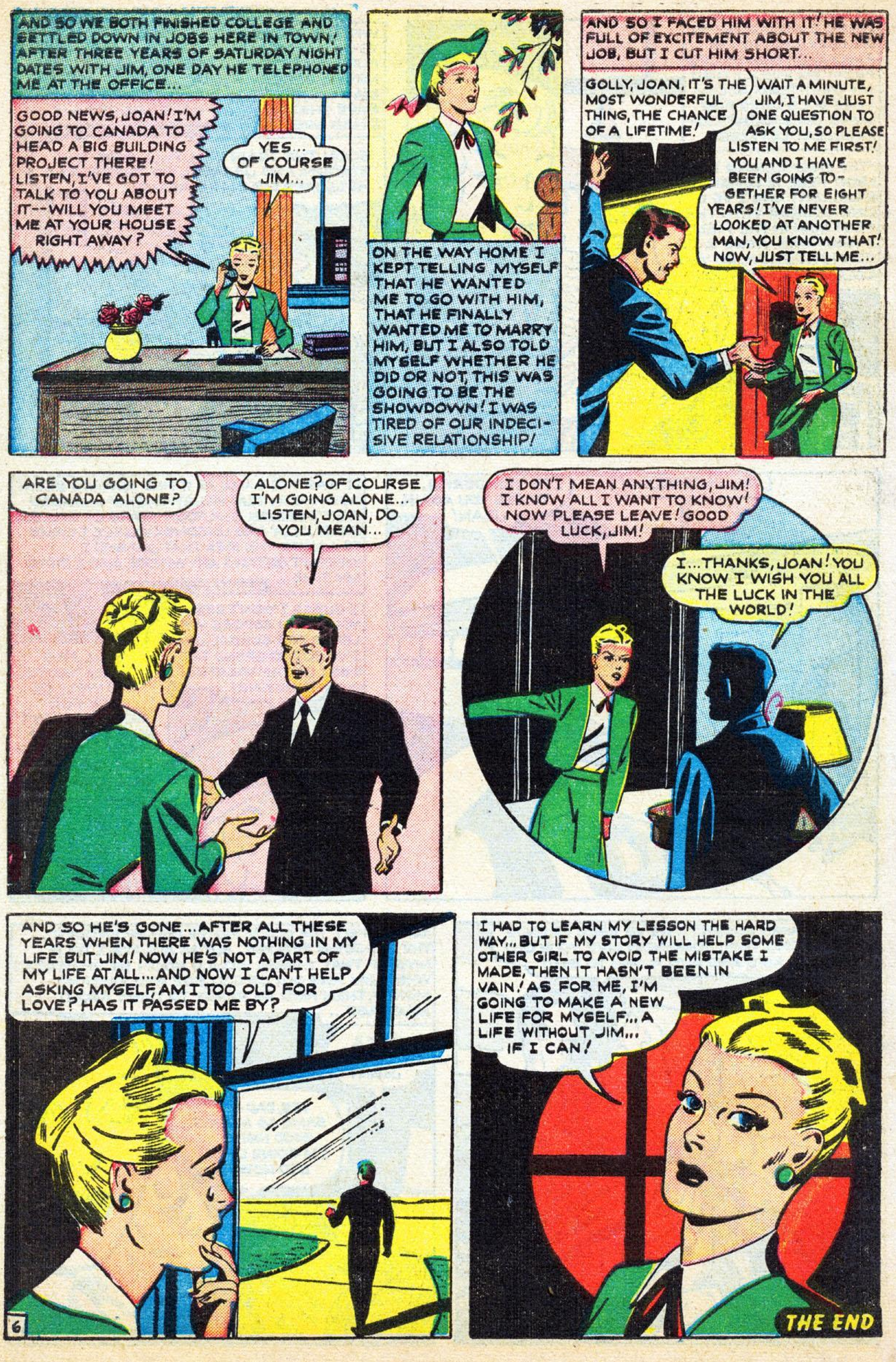

MAY I CUT IN?
MUST YOU?
I'M SORRY, BUT I'VE PROMISED THIS DANCE TO JIM!
I GUESS I SHOULDN'T HAVE REFUSED TO DANCE WITH THE OTHER BOYS, BUT I ONLY WANTED TO BE WITH JIM... IT WAS THAT WAY ALL EVENING...
JUST THINK! WE'VE BEEN AT THE SAME SCHOOL FOR THREE YEARS AND WE'VE NEVER MET BEFORE! WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN?
I--I'VE NEVER GONE OUT MUCH! MOTHER THOUGHT I SHOULD WAIT TILL I WAS SEVENTEEN!
YOU MEAN YOU'VE PASSED SWEET SIXTEEN AND--NEVER BEEN KISSED?
I COULDN'T RETURN HIS SMILE, I COULD ONLY BLUSH FURIOUSLY! THEN SUDDENLY EVERYBODY STARTED YELLING AND BLOWING HORNS... AND AS THE LIGHTS WENT OUT I REALIZED IT MUST BE MIDNIGHT!
IT'S ABOUT TIME YOU ***WERE*** KISSED! COME HERE!
OH!
HIS ARMS WENT AROUND ME AND HIS LIPS CAME DOWN INSISTENTLY ON MINE! EVERYTHING ELSE WAS SHUT OUT--THE OTHER COUPLES KISSING, THE CHORUS OF "AULD LANG SYNE", THE WHISTLES AND HORNS! ALL I WAS AWARE OF WAS JIM AND THE POUNDING OF MY HEART!
OH, JIM!
HAPPY NEW YEAR!
OH, THERE YOU ARE, JOANIE! TIME TO GO HOME!
WELL FROM THE LOOKS OF YOU, IT WAS A GOOD PARTY!
OH DAD, IT WAS WONDERFUL!
I DIDN'T LIKE BEING DRAGGED AWAY FROM THE PARTY LIKE A CHILD, BUT I WAS IN SUCH A GLOW FROM JIM'S KISS THAT EVEN THAT DIDN'T BOTHER ME...
I LAY AWAKE A LONG TIME THAT NIGHT ENVISIONING A WONDERFUL FUTURE--DANCING WITH JIM, GOING TO THE MOVIES WITH JIM, DRIVING IN THE COUNTRY WITH JIM... I THOUGHT I COULDN'T ASK FOR ANYTHING MORE OUT OF LIFE...
IT'S STRANGE--ALL MY DREAMS OF THAT NIGHT HAVE COME TRUE, AND YET I'D GIVE ANYTHING NOW TO BE ABLE TO GO BACK TO THAT NIGHT AND LIVE IT ALL OVER AGAIN, AND HAVE THOSE DREAMS ***NOT*** COME TRUE!

THE NEXT DAY I RAN TO THE TELEPHONE EVERY TIME IT RANG! I WAS SO SURE JIM WOULD CALL...
I'LL GET IT!
RING!
HELLO, IS THIS JOAN MARLEY? THIS IS CHARLIE DEAN--WE MET AT ELLEN'S PARTY LAST NIGHT! REMEMBER? I THOUGHT MAYBE YOU'D LIKE TO GO DANCING FRIDAY NIGHT...
OH... CHARLIE... I'M SORRY! I'M BUSY FRIDAY NIGHT!
SEVERAL BOYS CALLED ME THAT DAY... I GUESS MY VERY INDIFFERENCE TO THEM THE NIGHT BEFORE HAD AROUSED THEIR INTEREST! BUT I DIDN'T GET THE ONE CALL I WAS INTERESTED IN...
OH, JIM, JIM, WHY DON'T YOU CALL?
THE NEXT DAY IN SCHOOL I WAS ON PINS AND NEEDLES WAITING FOR HISTORY CLASS, THE LAST PERIOD OF THE DAY, WHEN I KNEW I WOULD SEE HIM...
NOW FOR THE DULLEST PERIOD OF ALL-- LET'S CUT THIS CLASS, JOAN!
OH, NO, ELLEN! I... I LIKE HISTORY!
HISTORY
THAT'S ALL FOR TODAY, CLASS! BUT DON'T FORGET-- BOOK REPORTS ARE DUE WEDNESDAY! DISMISSED!
WELL, HELLO! LIKE TO GO TO THE DRUG STORE FOR A COKE?
LOVE TO...
BOOK REPORTS! THAT WOMAN MUST STAY AWAKE NIGHTS THINKING UP GRUESOME ASSIGNMENTS!
I'LL SAY! THAT HISTORY CLASS IS SURE A PAIN IN THE NECK! SAY, JOAN, HOW ABOUT GOING TO A MOVIE FRIDAY NIGHT?
I WAS TRYING HARD TO BE CASUAL, BUT I FELT AS IF I WERE UP IN A CLOUD! HOW COULD I EVER WAIT FOR FRIDAY?


AND SO WE HAD OUR FIRST DATE! AND BECAUSE JIM WAS HOLDING MY HAND, I COULDN'T PAY MUCH ATTENTION TO THE MOVIES! I WAS SO CONSCIOUS OF HIS BEING NEAR ME--THAT WAS THE WAY I WANTED IT TO BE ALWAYS!
AFTER THAT, WE WENT OUT EVERY WEEK-END--ALTHOUGH THERE WERE SOME WEEKS THAT JUST SLIPPED BY WITHOUT JIM ASKING ME FOR A DATE! AT THOSE TIMES I WAS MISERABLE, BUT A FEW DAYS LATER THE PHONE WOULD RING AND EVERYTHING WOULD BE ALL RIGHT AGAIN! TOO OFTEN, THOUGH, WE'D BE OUT WITH THE GANG--WHEN I WANTED TO BE ALONE WITH JIM!
WELL, WHERE TO, GANG?
WHEREVER WE'RE GOING, LET'S GO!
AND SO THE SCHOOL TERM WORE ON, AND GRADUATION APPROACHED...
IT'S ABOUT AS BECOMING AS A BURLAP BAG, BUT IF IT'LL GET ME THAT OLD SHEEPSKIN, I'M ALL FOR IT!
I DON'T KNOW WHY YOU'RE SO ANXIOUS TO GRADUATE, ELLEN! I'M SO AFRAID IT'S GOING TO BE THE END OF--SOMETHING...
DON'T BE SILLY! TRADITIONALLY, BOYS ALWAYS PROPOSE AT THE GRADUATION DANCE! THAT'S WHAT I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO--THAT, AND NO MORE STUDYING!
PROPOSE! GEE, DO YOU THINK ANYBODY DOES, REALLY?
AFTER WHAT ELLEN SAID, ALL I COULD THINK OF WAS THE GRADUATION DANCE! I KNEW THEN THAT I HAD NO DESIRE TO GO AWAY TO COLLEGE--AS MY PARENTS WANTED ME TO! I JUST WANTED JIM TO PROPOSE, AND I DIDN'T CARE HOW LONG I'D HAVE TO WAIT BEFORE WE COULD GET MARRIED... JUST SO I COULD KNOW I WAS HIS GIRL!
JOAN STANTON... MRS. JIM STANTON... HMM... VERY NICE!
IT WAS SPRING NOW, AND WARM ENOUGH FOR SWIMMING... I REMEMBER JIM AND I HAD DRIVEN TO THE BEACH ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON... HE CASUALLY HAPPENED TO MENTION SOMETHING WHICH SPOILED MY HOPES FOR THE TIME BEING...
OH, BY THE WAY, HONEY--YOU COMING TO THE STATION TO KISS ME GOOD-BYE FRIDAY AFTERNOON? I'M GOING TO LEWISTOWN TO SEE THE COLLEGE AUTHORITIES! I WON'T BE BACK TILL SUNDAY NIGHT...
YOU WON'T BE BACK? BUT THE DANCE IS SATURDAY NIGHT!
OH, THE DANCE--YEAH, I WON'T BE ABLE TO MAKE IT! SORRY TO MISS IT...
OH... SURE! HEY, COME ON, I'LL RACE YOU OUT TO THE RAFT!
I MANAGED TO HIDE MY DISAPPOINTMENT... AND I DID KISS JIM GOOD-BYE AT THE STATION! THE NIGHT OF THE DANCE I STAYED HOME...
JOAN, YOU'VE PUT OFF TALKING OVER THE BUSINESS OF COLLEGE, BUT I THINK IT'S ABOUT TIME WE DECIDED JUST WHERE YOU WANT TO GO!
YES, I GUESS YOU'RE RIGHT... WE SHOULD DECIDE!


WHEN I WENT AWAY TO COLLEGE, I HATED THE FEELING OF BEING MILES FROM JIM, AND ALL THRU MY FIRST TERM AT COLLEGE ALL I LIVED FOR WERE JIM'S RATHER INFREQUENT LETTERS!
"THE ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT HERE IS CONSIDERED EXCELLENT AND I'VE GOT ONE COURSE WITH THE BEST MAN IN THE FIELD! I WISH THIS WERE A CO-ED INSTITUTION, SO YOU COULD BE HERE TOO..."
WHEN I ANSWERED JIM'S LETTERS, I HAD TO BE CAREFUL NOT TO POUR OUT MY HEART, FOR HIS LETTERS WERE SO CASUAL! HE NEVER SPOKE OF LOVE... FINALLY CHRISTMAS VACATION ARRIVED AND I WENT HOME, SURE THAT HE MUST HAVE MISSED ME AS I HAD MISSED HIM!
SOON THE TRAIN WILL PULL INTO THE STATION, AND JIM WILL BE THERE, AND HE'LL TAKE ME IN HIS ARMS...
OH, JIM! DARLING!
IT'S WONDERFUL TO SEE YOU AGAIN, JEAN!
IT WAS THE SAME AS IT HAD ALWAYS BEEN! NOTHING IN OUR RELATIONSHIP CHANGED A BIT THROUGH OUR FOUR YEARS OF COLLEGE! GRADUALLY AND UNCONSCIOUSLY, I CAME TO ACCEPT THE IDEA THAT JIM AND I WEREN'T GETTING ANYWHERE, AND I BIDED MY TIME...
I GUESS I WON'T SEE YOU AGAIN BEFORE WE LEAVE FOR SCHOOL, JOAN! I'VE GOT TO SPEND THE REST OF THE VACATION STUDYING!
WELL, FIVE MORE MONTHS AND WE'LL BE BACK FOR GOOD! IT DOESN'T SEEM LIKE FOUR YEARS SINCE OUR LAST GRADUATION, DOES IT?
IT CERTAINLY DOESN'T... WE'VE BEEN FRIENDS FOR A LONG TIME, JOAN! NOW GIVE YOUR OLD FRIEND A KISS AND RUN ALONG TO BED!
ALL RIGHT... GOOD NIGHT, JIM!
AGAIN I FELT THE OLD STINGING DISAPPOINTMENT, THE LET-DOWN FEELING... BUT AS ALWAYS, I TOLD MYSELF THAT THINGS WOULD SOON BE DIFFERENT! WHEN JIM WAS OUT OF COLLEGE AND EARNING MONEY, THEN HE'D BE READY TO THINK ABOUT MARRIAGE...
HAVE A NICE TIME, JOAN?
YES, DAD -- SAME AS ALWAYS... GOOD NIGHT, I'M GOING UP TO BED NOW!


AND SO WE BOTH FINISHED COLLEGE AND SETTLED DOWN IN JOBS HERE IN TOWN! AFTER THREE YEARS OF SATURDAY NIGHT DATES WITH JIM, ONE DAY HE TELEPHONED ME AT THE OFFICE...
GOOD NEWS, JOAN! I'M GOING TO CANADA TO HEAD A BIG BUILDING PROJECT THERE! LISTEN, I'VE GOT TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT IT--WILL YOU MEET ME AT YOUR HOUSE RIGHT AWAY?
YES... OF COURSE JIM...
ON THE WAY HOME I KEPT TELLING MYSELF THAT HE WANTED ME TO GO WITH HIM, THAT HE FINALLY WANTED ME TO MARRY HIM, BUT I ALSO TOLD MYSELF WHETHER HE DID OR NOT, THIS WAS GOING TO BE THE SHOWDOWN! I WAS TIRED OF OUR INDECISIVE RELATIONSHIP!
AND SO I FACED HIM WITH IT! HE WAS FULL OF EXCITEMENT ABOUT THE NEW JOB, BUT I CUT HIM SHORT...
GOLLY, JOAN, IT'S THE MOST WONDERFUL THING, THE CHANCE OF A LIFETIME!
WAIT A MINUTE, JIM, I HAVE JUST ONE QUESTION TO ASK YOU, SO PLEASE LISTEN TO ME FIRST! YOU AND I HAVE BEEN GOING TOGETHER FOR EIGHT YEARS! I'VE NEVER LOOKED AT ANOTHER MAN, YOU KNOW THAT! NOW, JUST TELL ME...
ARE YOU GOING TO CANADA ALONE?
ALONE? OF COURSE I'M GOING ALONE... LISTEN, JOAN, DO YOU MEAN...
I DON'T MEAN ANYTHING, JIM! I KNOW ALL I WANT TO KNOW! NOW PLEASE LEAVE! GOOD LUCK, JIM!
I...THANKS, JOAN! YOU KNOW I WISH YOU ALL THE LUCK IN THE WORLD!
AND SO HE'S GONE...AFTER ALL THESE YEARS WHEN THERE WAS NOTHING IN MY LIFE BUT JIM! NOW HE'S NOT A PART OF MY LIFE AT ALL...AND NOW I CAN'T HELP ASKING MYSELF, AM I TOO OLD FOR LOVE? HAS IT PASSED ME BY?
I HAD TO LEARN MY LESSON THE HARD WAY... BUT IF MY STORY WILL HELP SOME OTHER GIRL TO AVOID THE MISTAKE I MADE, THEN IT HASN'T BEEN IN VAIN! AS FOR ME, I'M GOING TO MAKE A NEW LIFE FOR MYSELF... A LIFE WITHOUT JIM... IF I CAN!
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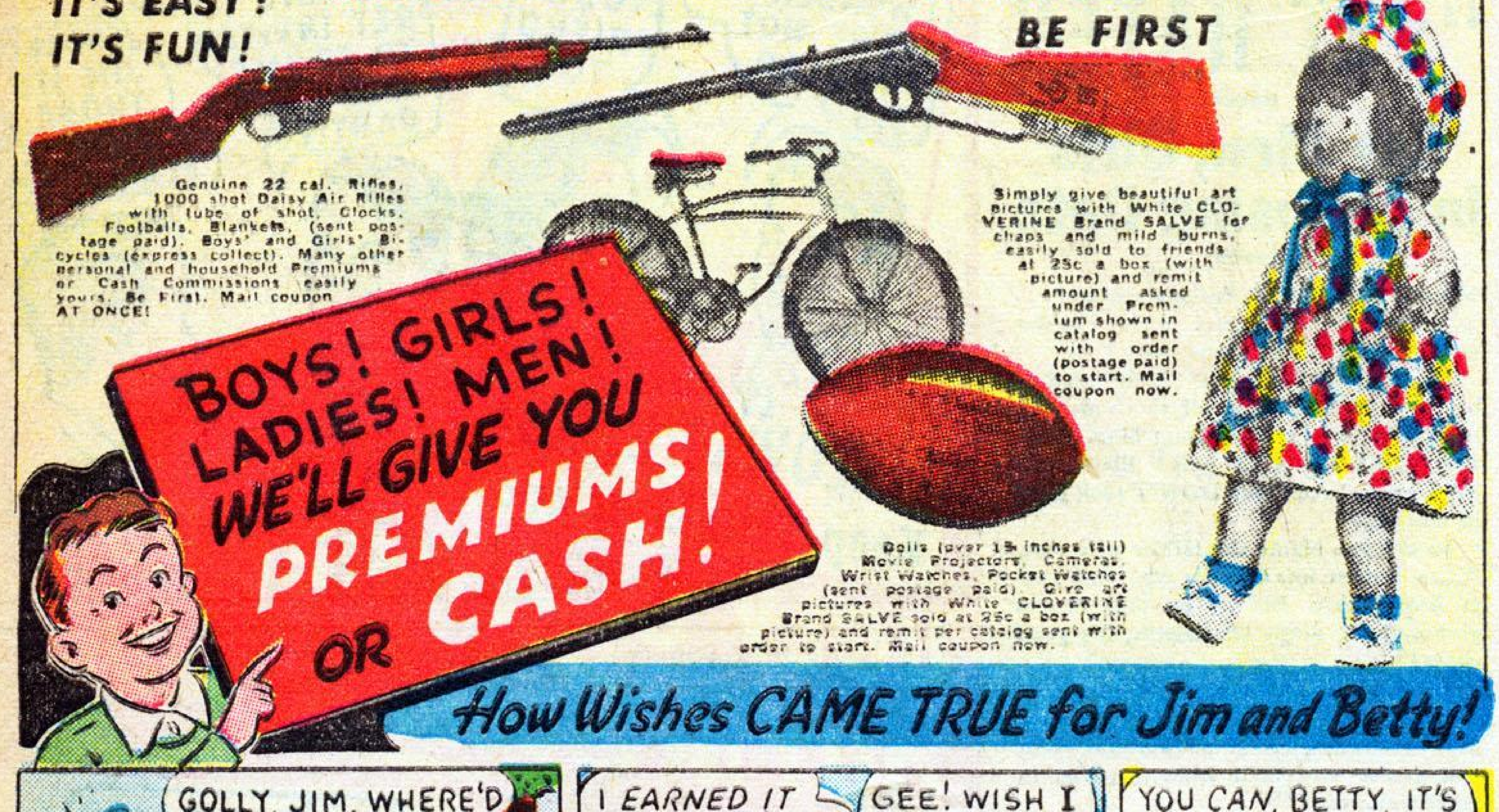
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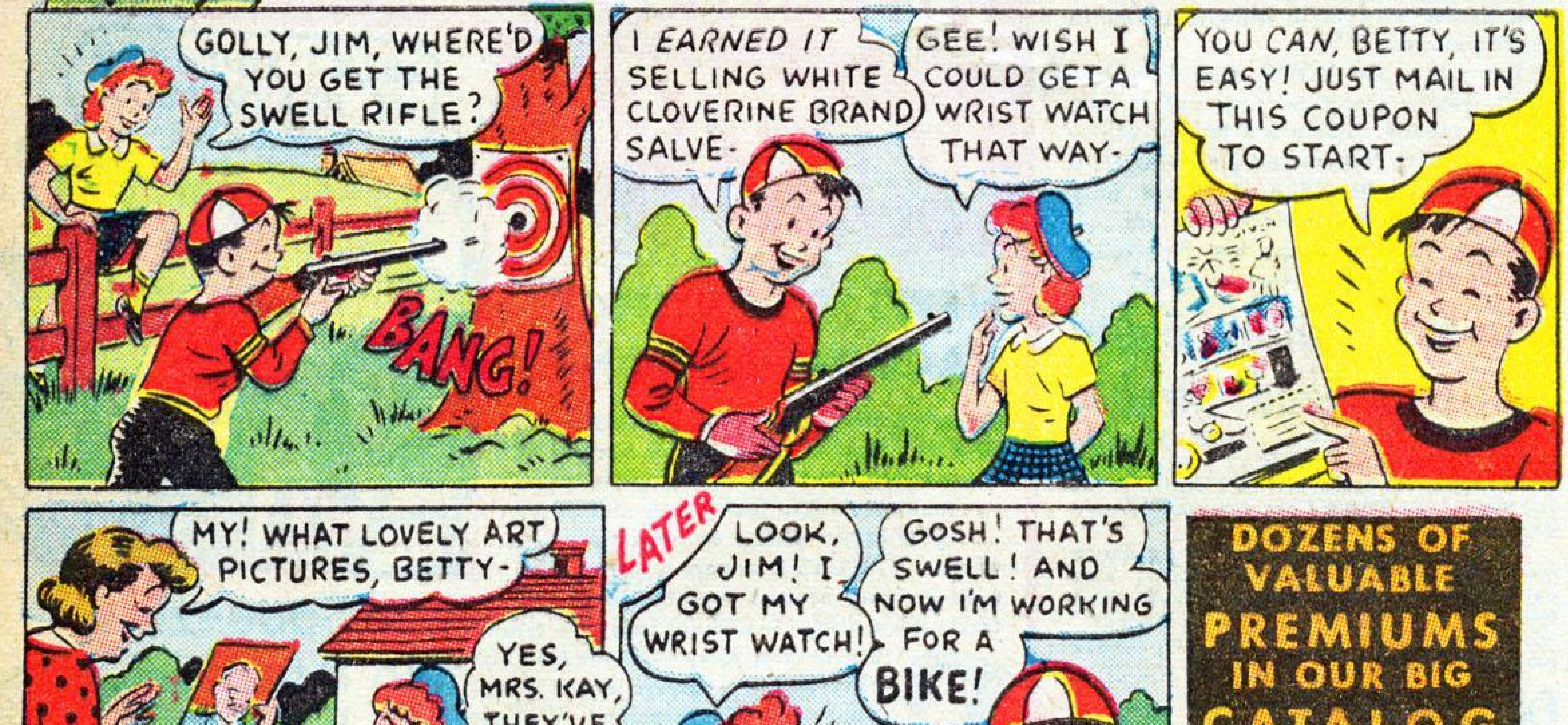
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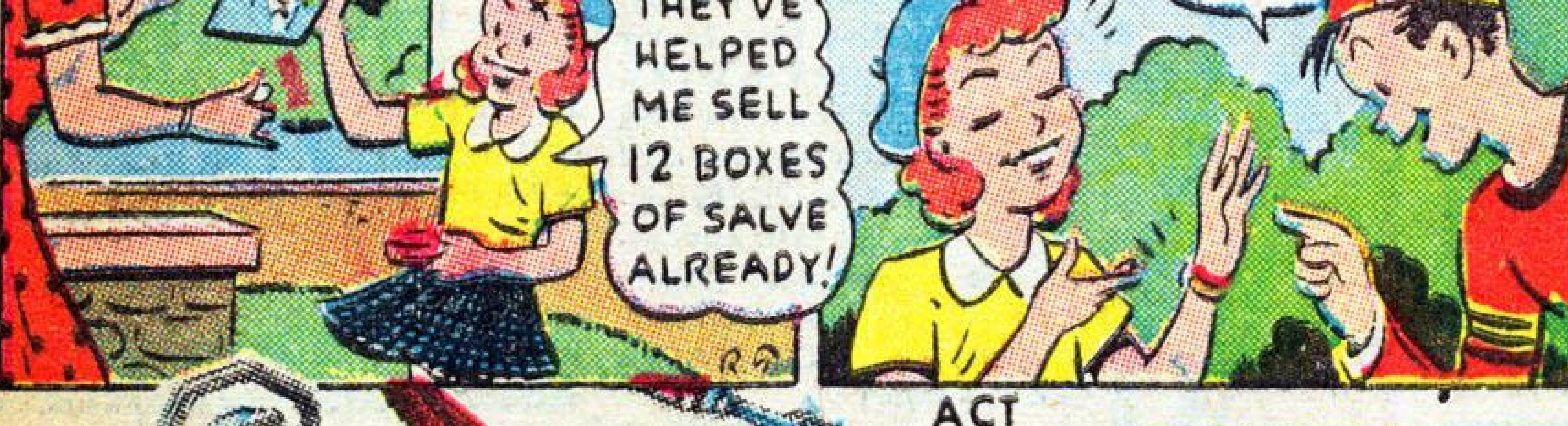
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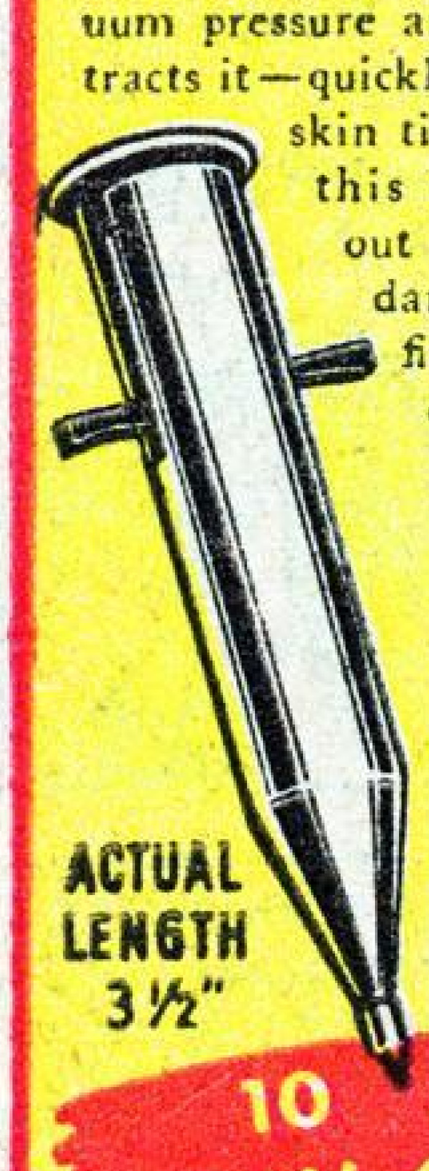

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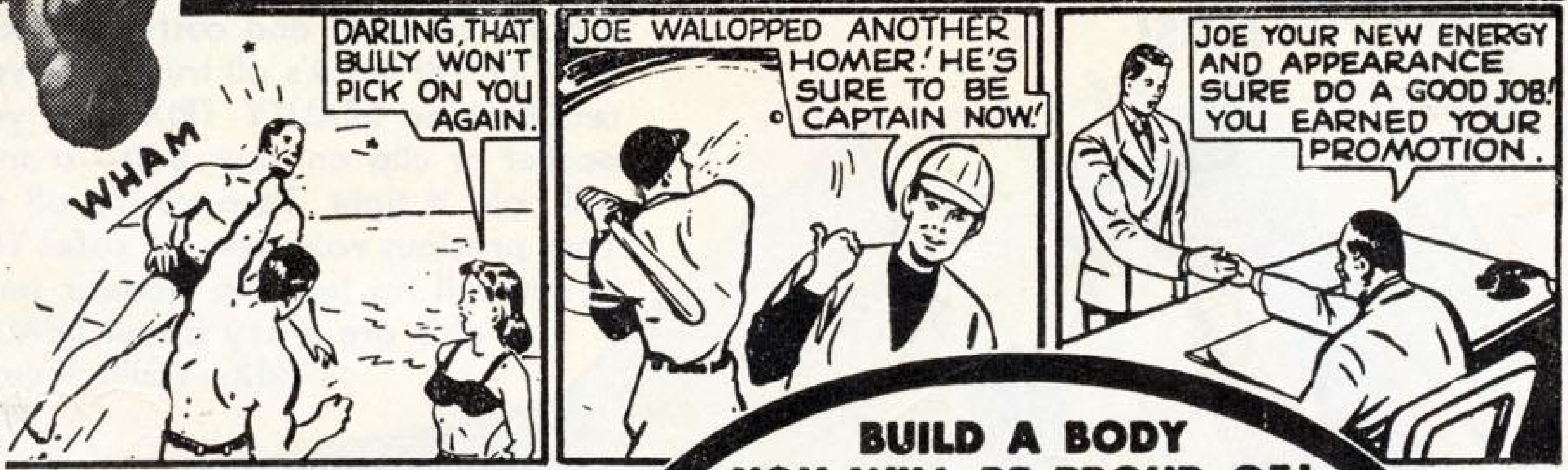
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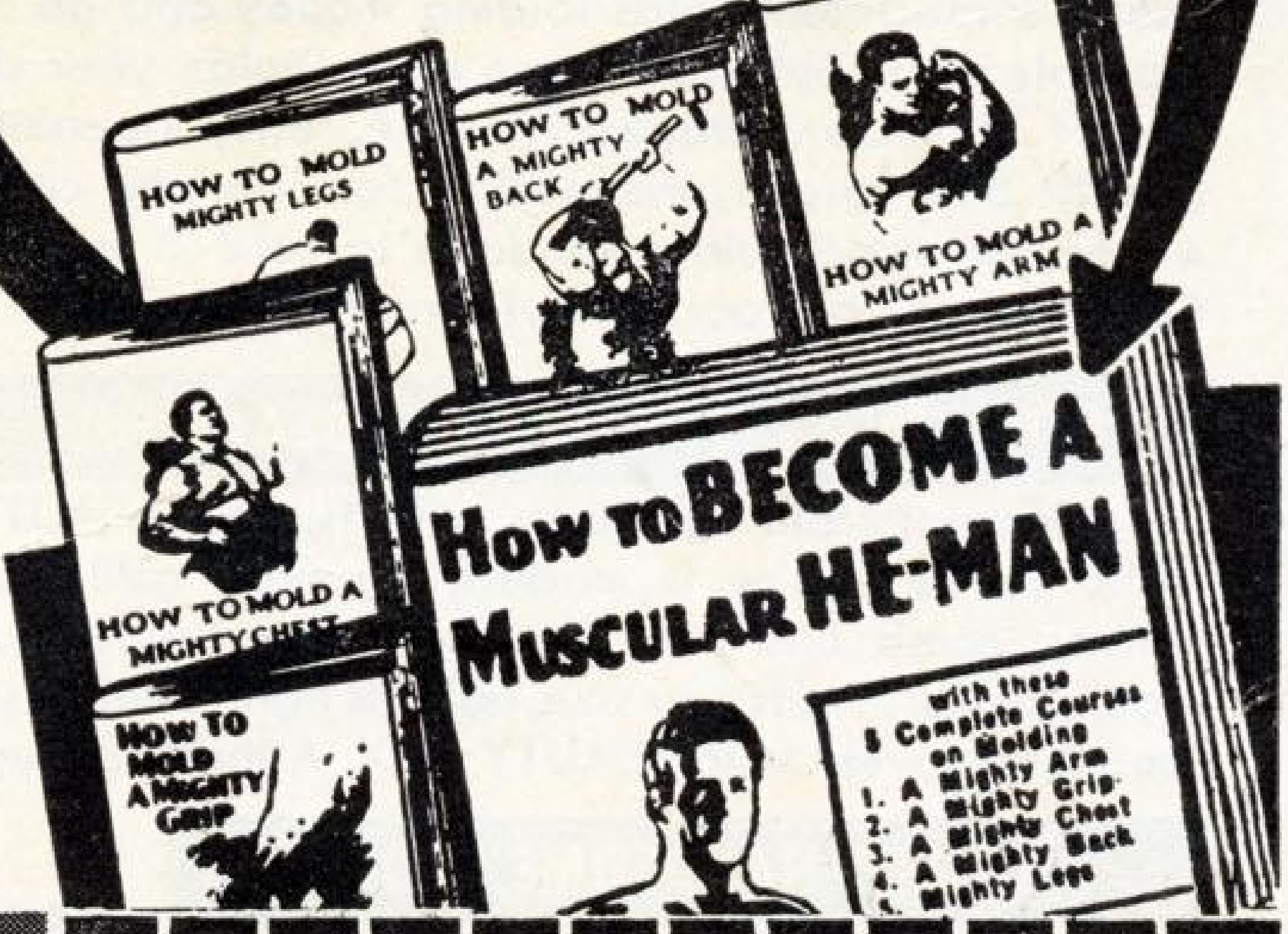
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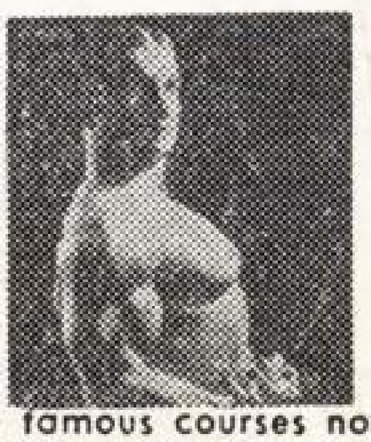

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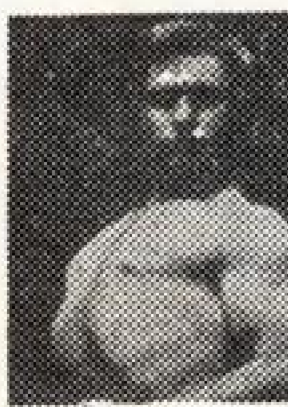

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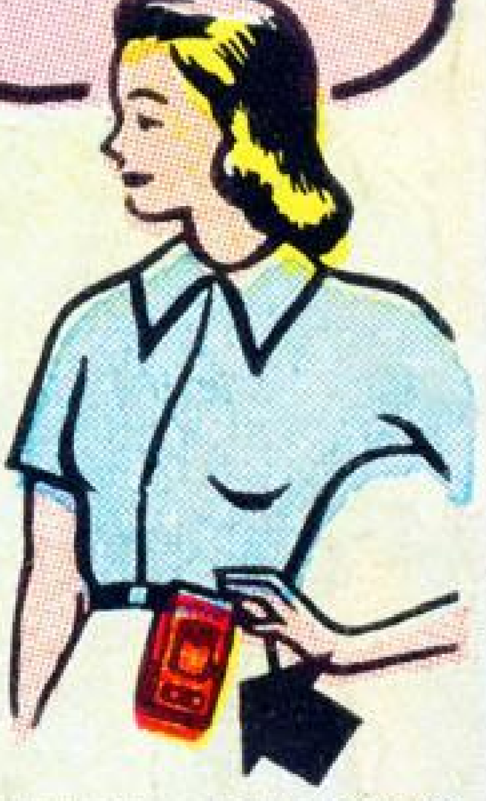
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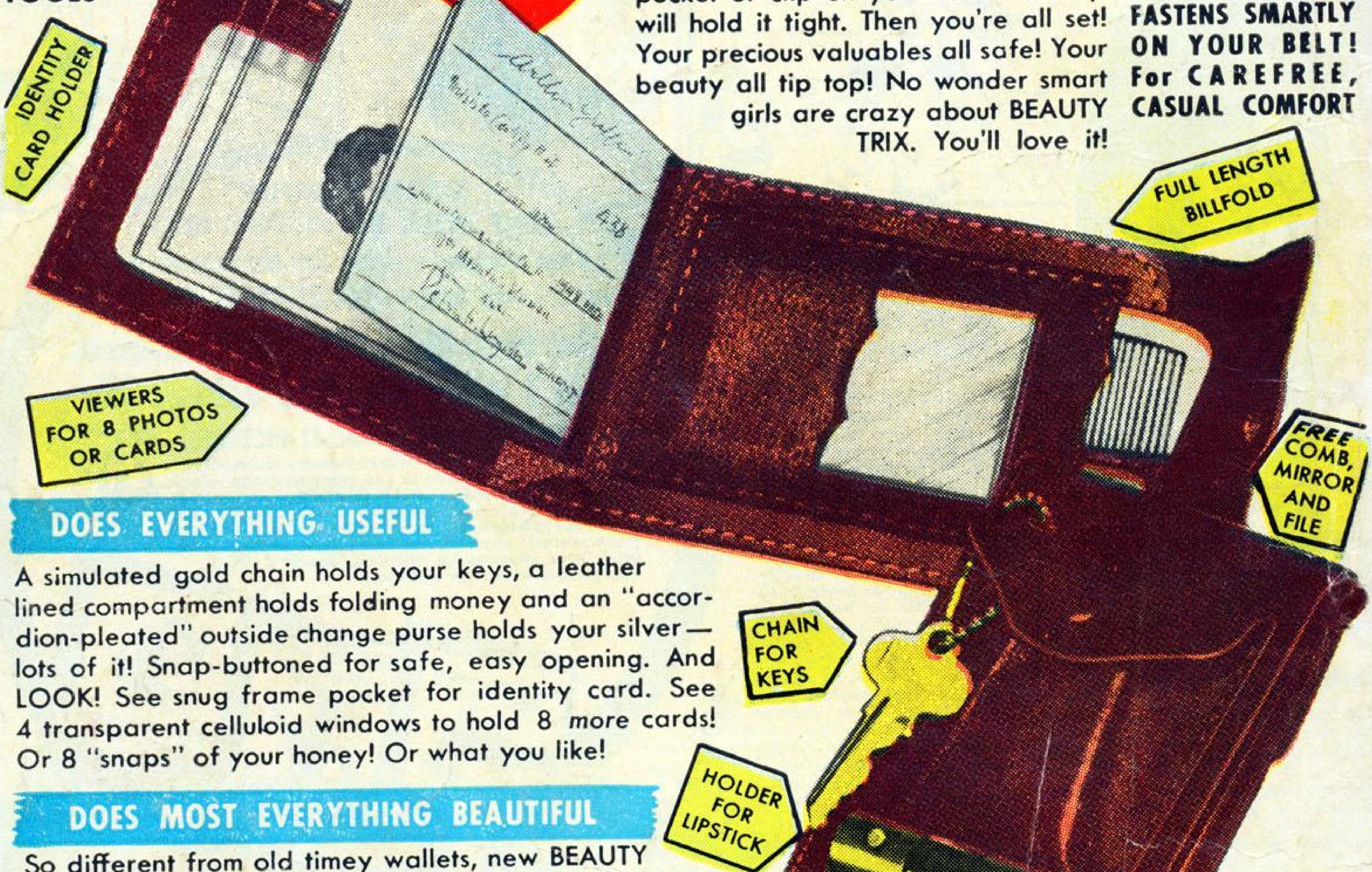
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